

**Chapter 21A.06**  
**TECHNICAL TERMS AND LAND USE DEFINITIONS**

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| 21A.06.XXX | <u>Critical area.</u> [New]   |
| 21A.06.255 | Critical drainage area.   |
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| 21A.06.285 | Department and variety store.   |
| 21A.06.XXX | <u>Depth of cut.</u> [SALT section 21 - New]                          |
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| 21A.06.300 | Development activity.   |
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| 21A.06.325 | Director.   |
| 21A.06.XXX | <u>Ditch.</u> [SAO section 20 - New]                                  |
| 21A.06.330 | Dormitory.  |
| 21A.06.XXX | <u>Drainage basin.</u> [SAO section 21- New]                          |
| 21A.06.XXX | <u>Drainage facility.</u> [SAO section 22- New]                       |
| 21A.06.XXX | <u>Drainage subbasin.</u> [SAO section 23- New]                       |
| 21A.06.335 | Drop box facility.  |
| 21A.06.340 | Drug store.   |
| 21A.06.345 | Dwelling unit.  |
| 21A.06.350 | Dwelling unit, accessory.   |
| 21A.06.355 | Dwelling unit, apartment.   |
| 21A.06.365 | Dwelling unit, single detached.                                       |
| 21A.06.370 | Dwelling unit, townhouse.   |
| 21A.06.375 | Earth station.  |
| 21A.06.XXX | <u>Effective impervious surface.</u> [New]                            |
| 21A.06.380 | Effective radiated power.   |
| 21A.06.390 | Electrical substation.  |

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| 21A.06.392 | Emergency. [SAO section 24]  |
| 21A.06.XXX | <u>Emergency action.</u> [SAO section 25- New]   |
| 21A.06.395 | Energy resource recovery facility.   |
| 21A.06.XXX | <u>Engineer, civil, geotechnical and structural.</u> [SAO section 26- New]                   |
| 21A.06.400 | Enhancement. [Amend]   |
| 21A.06.405 | Equipment, heavy.  |
| 21A.06.410 | Erosion. [SALT Section 32]   |
| 21A.06.XXX | <u>Erosion and sediment control standards.</u> [SALT section 33- New]                        |
| 21A.06.415 | Erosion hazard area((s)). [SAO section 28]   |
| 21A.06.XXX | <u>Estuary.</u> [New]  |
| 21A.06.420 | Evergreen.   |
| 21A.06.425 | Examiner.  |
| 21A.06.XXX | <u>Excavation.</u> [SALT section 34- New]  |
| 21A.06.XXX | <u>Existing, maintained, improved right-of-way or railroad prism.</u> [New]                  |
| 21A.06.XXX | <u>Expansion.</u> [New]  |
| 21A.06.430 | Fabric shop.   |
| 21A.06.435 | Facilities standard.   |
| 21A.06.440 | Factory-built commercial building.   |
| 21A.06.445 | Fairground.  |
| 21A.06.450 | Family.  |
| 21A.06.XXX | <u>Federal Emergency Management Agency.</u> [New]  |
| 21A.06.XXX | <u>FEMA.</u> [New]   |
| 21A.06.455 | <del>((Federal Emergency Management Agency ("))FEMA((")))</del><br>floodway [SAO section 29] |
| 21A.06.460 | Feed store.  |
| 21A.06.XXX | <u>Fen.</u> [SAO section 30- New]  |
| 21A.06.465 | Fence.   |
| 21A.06.XXX | <u>Fill.</u> [SALT section 35- New]  |
| 21A.06.467 | Financial guarantee.   |
| 21A.06.XXX | <u>Fish and wildlife habitat conservation area.</u> [New]                                    |
| 21A.06.470 | Flood fringe, zero rise. [Amend]   |
| 21A.06.475 | Flood hazard area((s)). [Amend - SAO Section 31]   |
| 21A.06.XXX | <u>Flood hazard boundary map.</u> [New]  |
| 21A.06.480 | Flood ((i))Insurance ((f))Rate ((m))Map. [Amend]   |
| 21A.06.485 | Flood ((i))Insurance ((s))Study for King County. [Amend]                                     |
| 21A.06.490 | Flood protection elevation. [Amend]  |
| 21A.06.XXX | <u>Flood protection facility.</u> [New]  |
| 21A.06.495 | Floodplain.  |

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| 21A.06.500            | Floodproofing, <u>dry</u> . [Amend]                          |
| 21A.06.505            | Floodway, zero-rise. [SAO section 32]                        |
| 21A.06.510            | Florist shop.  |
| 21A.06.XXX            | <u>Flyrock</u> . [SALT section 36- New]                      |
| 21A.06.XXX            | <u>Forest, mature</u> . [New]                                |
| 21A.06.XXX            | <u>Forest, old-growth</u> . [New]                            |
| 21A.06.515            | Forest land.   |
| 21A.06.520            | Forest practice. [Amend]                                     |
| 21A.06.525            | Forest product sales.  |
| 21A.06.530            | Forest research.   |
| 21A.06.533            | Fully contained community (FCC).                             |
| 21A.06.535            | Furniture and home furnishings store.                        |
| 21A.06.540            | General business service.                                    |
| 21A.06.545            | Geologist. [Amend - SAO section 34]                          |
| <del>21A.06.550</del> | <del>Geotechnical engineer</del> . [SAO section 35 - Repeal] |
| 21A.06.555            | Golf course facility.  |
| 21A.06.XXX            | <u>Grade</u> . [SALT section 39- New]                        |
| 21A.06.560            | Grade span.  |
| 21A.06.565            | Grading.   |
| 21A.06.570            | Grazing area.  |
| 21A.06.XXX            | <u>Ground motion</u> . [SALT section 41- New]                |
| 21A.06.575            | Groundcover.   |
| 21A.06.XXX            | <u>Habitat</u> . [New]                                       |
| 21A.06.XXX            | <u>Habitat, fish</u> . [New]                                 |
| 21A.06.XXX            | <u>Habitat, corridor</u> . [New]                             |
| 21A.06.XXX            | <u>Habitat, open</u> . [New]                                 |
| 21A.06.XXX            | <u>Habitat evaluation</u> . [New]                            |
| 21A.06.580            | Hazardous household substance.                               |
| 21A.06.582            | Hazardous liquid and gas transmission pipeline.              |
| 21A.06.585            | Hazardous substance.   |
| 21A.06.590            | Heavy equipment and truck repair.                            |
| 21A.06.595            | Helistop.  |
| 21A.06.XXX            | <u>Herbicide</u> . [SALT section 43- New]                    |
| 21A.06.597            | Historic resource.   |
| 21A.06.598            | Historic resource inventory.                                 |
| 21A.06.600            | Hobby, toy, and game shop.                                   |
| 21A.06.605            | Home industry.   |
| 21A.06.610            | Home occupation.   |
| 21A.06.615            | Household pets.  |
| 21A.06.620            | Hydroelectric generation facility.                           |
| 21A.06.XXX            | <u>Hydrologically connected</u> . [New]                      |

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| 21A.06.XXX | <u>Hydrologically mature vegetation.</u> [New] |
| 21A.06.625 | Impervious surface. [SALT section 44]          |
| 21A.06.XXX | <u>Impoundment.</u> [New]                      |
| 21A.06.XXX | <u>Improved area.</u> [SALT section 45- New]   |
| 21A.06.630 | Improved public roadways.                      |
| 21A.06.635 | Individual transportation and taxi.            |
| 21A.06.637 | Infiltration rate.                             |
| 21A.06.XXX | <u>Inherent site potential.</u> [New]          |
| 21A.06.XXX | <u>Instream structure.</u> [New]               |
| 21A.06.640 | Interim recycling facility. [SALT section 129] |
| 21A.06.641 | Interlocal agreement.                          |
| 21A.06.642 | Irrigation efficiency.                         |
| 21A.06.645 | Jail.  |
| 21A.06.650 | Jail farm.                                     |
| 21A.06.655 | Jewelry store.                                 |
| 21A.06.658 | Joint use driveway.                            |
| 21A.06.660 | Kennel.  |
| 21A.06.662 | Kitchen or kitchen facility.                   |
| 21A.06.XXX | <u>Lake.</u> [New]                             |
| 21A.06.665 | Landfill.                                      |
| 21A.06.667 | Landscape water features.                      |
| 21A.06.670 | Landscaping.                                   |
| 21A.06.675 | Landslide.                                     |
| 21A.06.680 | Landslide hazard area((s)). [SAO section 42]   |
| 21A.06.685 | Level of service ("LOS"), traffic.             |
| 21A.06.690 | Light equipment.                               |
| 21A.06.695 | Livestock.                                     |
| 21A.06.700 | Livestock, large.                              |
| 21A.06.705 | Livestock, small.                              |
| 21A.06.710 | Livestock sales.                               |
| 21A.06.715 | Loading space.                                 |
| 21A.06.720 | Log storage.                                   |
| 21A.06.725 | Lot.   |
| 21A.06.730 | Lot line, interior.                            |
| 21A.06.XXX | <u>Maintenance.</u> [New]                      |
| 21A.06.735 | Marina.  |
| 21A.06.740 | Material error.                                |
| 21A.06.XXX | <u>Maximum extent practicable.</u> [New]       |
| 21A.06.745 | Microwave.                                     |
| 21A.06.XXX | <u>Mine.</u> [New]                             |
| 21A.06.750 | Mitigation. [Amend]                            |

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| 21A.06.751 | Mitigation bank. [Amend]                         |
| 21A.06.752 | Mitigation banking.                              |
| 21A.06.753 | Mixed-use development.                           |
| 21A.06.755 | Mobile home.                                     |
| 21A.06.760 | Mobile home park.                                |
| 21A.06.765 | Monitoring.                                      |
| 21A.06.770 | Monuments, tombstones, and gravestones sales.    |
| 21A.06.775 | Motor vehicle, boat and mobile home dealer.      |
| 21A.06.780 | Motor vehicle and bicycle manufacturing.         |
| 21A.06.782 | Mulch.   |
| 21A.06.785 | Municipal water production.                      |
| 21A.06.790 | Native vegetation. [Salt section 48]             |
| 21A.06.795 | Naturalized species.                             |
| 21A.06.797 | Net buildable area. [SAO section 45]             |
| 21A.06.800 | Nonconformance.                                  |
| 21A.06.805 | Nonhydro-electric generation facility.           |
| 21A.06.810 | Non-ionizing electromagnetic radiation ("NIER"). |
| 21A.06.815 | Noxious weed. [SALT section 49]                  |
| 21A.06.817 | Off-street required parking lot.                 |
| 21A.06.819 | Open space.                                      |
| 21A.06.820 | Open-work fence.                                 |
| 21A.06.825 | Ordinary high water mark. [Amend]                |
| 21A.06.830 | Outdoor performance center.                      |
| 21A.06.831 | Overburden-cover-to-seam-thickness ratio.        |
| 21A.06.832 | Overspray.                                       |
| 21A.06.835 | Park.  |
| 21A.06.840 | Park service area.                               |
| 21A.06.845 | Parking lot aisle.                               |
| 21A.06.850 | Parking lot unit depth.                          |
| 21A.06.855 | Parking space.                                   |
| 21A.06.860 | Parking space angle.                             |
| 21A.06.865 | Party of record.                                 |
| 21A.06.XXX | <u>Patch</u> . [New]                             |
| 21A.06.870 | Peak hour.                                       |
| 21A.06.875 | Permanent school facilities.                     |
| 21A.06.880 | Personal medical supply store.                   |
| 21A.06.XXX | <u>Pesticide</u> . [SALT section 51- New]        |
| 21A.06.885 | Pet shop.  |
| 21A.06.890 | Photographic and electronic shop.                |
| 21A.06.895 | Plant associations of infrequent occurrence.     |
| 21A.06.897 | Plant factor.                                    |

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| 21A.06.XXX            | <u>Pond.</u> [New]  |
| 21A.06.899            | Potable water.  |
| 21A.06.XXX            | <u>Primary association.</u> [New]   |
| 21A.06.XXX            | <u>Priority area.</u> [New]   |
| 21A.06.900            | Private.  |
| <del>21A.06.905</del> | <del>Private stormwater management facility.</del> [SAO section 47 - Repealed]  |
| 21A.06.XXX            | <u>Processing operation</u> [SALT section 130- New]                             |
| 21A.06.910            | Professional office.  |
| 21A.06.915            | Public agency.  |
| 21A.06.920            | Public agency animal control facility.  |
| 21A.06.925            | Public agency archive.  |
| 21A.06.930            | Public agency or utility office.  |
| 21A.06.935            | Public agency or utility yard.  |
| 21A.06.940            | Public agency training facility.  |
| 21A.06.943            | Public transportation amenities.  |
| 21A.06.945            | Radio frequency.  |
| 21A.06.XXX            | <u>Raptors and herons of local importance.</u> [New]                            |
| 21A.06.950            | Reasonable use.   |
| 21A.06.955            | Receiving site.   |
| 21A.06.XXX            | <u>Reclamation.</u> [SALT section 52- New]                                      |
| 21A.06.960            | Recreational vehicle ("RV").  |
| 21A.06.965            | Recreational vehicle parks.   |
| 21A.06.XXX            | <u>Rectification.</u> [SAO section 48- New]                                     |
| 21A.06.970            | Recyclable material.  |
| 21A.06.972            | Reference evapotranspiration (Eto).   |
| <del>21A.06.975</del> | <del>Regional stormwater management facility.</del> [SAO section 49 - Repealed] |
| 21A.06.980            | Regional utility corridor.  |
| 21A.06.985            | Relocatable facilities cost per student.  |
| 21A.06.990            | Relocatable facility.   |
| 21A.06.995            | Relocation facilities.  |
| 21A.06.XXX            | <u>Repair.</u> [New]  |
| 21A.06.XXX            | <u>Replace.</u> [New]   |
| 21A.06.XXX            | <u>Reservoir.</u> [New]   |
| 21A.06.1000           | Restoration. [SAO section 50]   |
| 21A.06.1002           | Resource land tract.  |
| 21A.06.1005           | Retail comparison.  |
| 21A.06.1010           | Retail convenience.   |
| 21A.06.1011           | Retaining wall.   |
| 21A.06.XXX            | <u>Riparian corridor.</u> [New]   |



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| 21A.06.1011A | Road amenities.   |
| 21A.06.XXX   | <u>Roadway</u> . [SALT section 53- New]                 |
| 21A.06.1012  | Runoff.   |
| 21A.06.1013  | Rural equestrian community trail.                       |
| 21A.06.1014  | Rural forest focus areas.                               |
| 21A.06.1015  | Salmonid. [Amend]                                       |
| 21A.06.XXX   | <u>Salmonids of local importance</u> . [New]            |
| 21A.06.1020  | School bus base.  |
| 21A.06.1025  | School district.  |
| 21A.06.1030  | School district support facility.                       |
| 21A.06.1035  | Schools, elementary, and middle/junior high.            |
| 21A.06.1040  | Schools, secondary or high school.                      |
| 21A.06.XXX   | <u>Seasonal low water</u> . [New]                       |
| 21A.06.1045  | Seismic hazard area((s)). [SAO section 52]              |
| 21A.06.1050  | Self-service storage facility.                          |
| 21A.06.1055  | Sending site.   |
| 21A.06.1060  | Senior citizen.   |
| 21A.06.1062  | Senior citizen assisted housing.                        |
| 21A.06.1065  | Sensitive areas. [Amend]                                |
| 21A.06.1070  | Setback.  |
| 21A.06.1075  | Shelters for temporary placement.                       |
| 21A.06.1080  | Shooting range.   |
| 21A.06.XXX   | <u>Shoreline</u> . [SALT section 54- New]               |
| 21A.06.XXX   | <u>Shoreline, consolidated</u> . [New]                  |
| 21A.06.XXX   | <u>Shorelines, marine or estuarine</u> . [New]          |
| 21A.06.XXX   | <u>Shoreline, unconsolidated</u> . [New]                |
| 21A.06.XXX   | <u>Side channel</u> . [New]                             |
| 21A.06.1085  | Sign.   |
| 21A.06.1090  | Sign, awning.   |
| 21A.06.1095  | Sign, changing message center.                          |
| 21A.06.1100  | Sign, community bulletin board.                         |
| 21A.06.1105  | Sign, directional.                                      |
| 21A.06.1110  | Sign, freestanding.                                     |
| 21A.06.1115  | Sign, fuel price.                                       |
| 21A.06.1120  | Sign, incidental.                                       |
| 21A.06.1125  | Sign, indirectly illuminated.                           |
| 21A.06.1130  | Sign, monument.   |
| 21A.06.1135  | Sign, off-premise directional.                          |
| 21A.06.1140  | Sign, on-premise.                                       |
| 21A.06.1145  | Sign, permanent residential development identification. |
| 21A.06.1150  | Sign, portable.   |

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| 21A.06.1155  | Sign, projecting.  |
| 21A.06.1160  | Sign, time and temperature.                              |
| 21A.06.1165  | Sign, wall.  |
| 21A.06.1167  | Significant tree.  |
| 21A.06.1170  | Site.  |
| 21A.06.1172  | Site area. [Amend]                                       |
| 21A.06.1175  | Site cost per student.                                   |
| 21A.06.1177  | SITUS file.  |
| 21A.06.1180  | Ski area.  |
| 21A.06.XXX   | <u>Slope</u> . [SALT Section 56- New]                    |
| 21A.06.XXX   | <u>Snag</u> . [New]                                      |
| 21A.06.1185  | Soil recycling facility.                                 |
| 21A.06.1190  | Source-separated organic material.                       |
| 21A.06.1195  | Special use permit.                                      |
| 21A.06.1200  | Specialized instruction school.                          |
| 21A.06.XXX   | <u>Species of local importance</u> . [New]               |
| 21A.06.1205  | Specified sexual activities.                             |
| 21A.06.1210  | Sporting goods store.                                    |
| 21A.06.1215  | Sports club.   |
| 21A.06.1220  | Stable.  |
| 21A.06.1225  | Standard of service, school districts.                   |
| 21A.06.1230  | Steep slope hazard area((s)). [SAO section 54]           |
| 21A.06.1235  | Stream functions.  |
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**NOTE:** Sections amended are noted in brackets following the title. “SALT” means proposed Site Alteration Code pending at council (Proposed Ordinance 2000-0525). “SAO” means proposed amendments to the Sensitive Areas Ordinance (KCC 21A.24) pending at council (Proposed Ordinance 1999-0353)

**KCC chapter 21A.06 Amendments**

SECTION 1. K.C.C. 21A.24.190 and 20.70.110, each as amended by this ordinance, are recodified as sections in K.C.C. chapter 21A.06.

NEW SECTION. SECTION 2. There is hereby added to K.C.C. chapter 21A.06 a new section to read as follows: [SALT Section 10]

**Airblast.** Airblast: an airborne shock wave, whether audible or not, resulting from the detonation of explosives caused by burden movement or the release of expanding gas.

SECTION 3. K.C.C. 21A.24.190, as amended by this ordinance, is recodified as a new section in K.C.C. chapter 21A.06.

SECTION 4. Ordinance 10870, Section 466, and K.C.C. 21A.24.190 are each hereby amended to read as follows:

**Alteration.** Alteration: ~~((A))~~any human activity ~~((which))~~ that results or is likely to result in an impact upon the existing condition of a ~~((sensitive))~~ critical area ~~((is an alteration which is))~~ or its buffer. An alteration is subject to specific limitations as specified for each ~~((sensitive))critical area and its buffer.~~ “Alteration((s))” includes, but ~~((are))~~ is not limited to, grading, filling, dredging, ~~((draining,))~~ channelizing, applying herbicides or pesticides or any hazardous substance, discharging pollutants except stormwater, grazing domestic animals, paving, constructing, applying gravel, modifying topography for surface water management purposes, cutting, pruning, topping, trimming, relocating or removing vegetation or any other human activity ~~((which))~~that results or is likely to result in an impact to exist~~((ent))~~ing vegetation, hydrology, fish or wildlife or ~~((wildlife))~~ their habitats. “Alteration((s))” ~~((do))~~ does not include walking, fishing or any other passive recreation or other similar activities. (Ord. 10870 § 466, 1993).

NEW SECTION. SECTION 5. There is hereby added to K.C.C. chapter 21A.06 a new section to read as follows:

**Anadromous fish habitat.** Anadromous fish habitat: streams and other aquatic habitats used by species of fish that spend portions of their life history in both marine and fresh waters.

SECTION 6. Ordinance 10870, Section 54, as amended, and K.C.C. 21A.06.070 are each hereby amended to read as follows: [SAO Section 12]

**Applicant.** Applicant: a property owner or a public agency or public or private utility which owns a right-of-way or other easement or has been adjudicated the right to such an easement ~~((pursuant to))~~ under RCW ~~((8.12.090))~~ 8.08.040, or any person or entity designated or named in writing by the property or easement owner to be the applicant, in an application for a development proposal, permit or approval. (Ord. 12196 § 53, 1996: Ord. 11700 § 42, 1995: Ord. 10870 § 54, 1993).

NEW SECTION. SECTION 7. There is hereby added to K.C.C. chapter 21A.06 a new section to read as follows:

**Aquatic area.** Aquatic area: any water feature including all shorelines of the state, rivers, streams, marine waters, lakes, ponds, reservoirs, and conveyance systems and impoundments of these features if any portion of the feature is formed from a stream or wetland and if any stream or wetland contributing flows is not created solely as a consequence of stormwater pond construction. “Aquatic area” does not include water features that are entirely artificially collected or conveyed storm or wastewater systems or entirely artificial channels, ponds, pools or other similar constructed water features.

NEW SECTION. SECTION 8. There is hereby added to K.C.C. chapter 21A.06 a new section to read as follows:

**Bank stabilization.** Bank stabilization: an action taken to resist the erosion of materials from the banks of rivers and streams. Typical methods of bank stabilization include various combinations of diverse structural elements such as placement of large woody debris, rounded or angular rock, soil, geotextile fabric, and planting of native woody vegetation.

SECTION 9. Ordinance 10870, Section 57, and K.C.C. 21A.06.085 are each hereby amended to read as follows:

**Base flood elevation.** Base flood elevation: the water surface elevation of the base flood in relation to the National Geodetic Vertical Datum of 1929, or the datum shown on the effective Flood Insurance Rate Map, as published by the Federal Emergency Management Agency. (Ord. 10870 § 57, 1993).

NEW SECTION. SECTION 10. There is hereby added to K.C.C. chapter 21A.06 a new section to read as follows: [SALT Section 12]

**Bench.** Bench: a relatively level step excavated or constructed on the face of a graded slope surface for drainage and maintenance purposes.

SECTION 11. Ordinance 12987, Section 1, and K.C.C. 21A.06.097 are each hereby amended to read as follows: [SALT Section 13]

**Berm.** Berm: a ~~((constructed area of compacted earth))~~ mound or raised area used for the purpose of screening a site or operation. (Ord. 12987 § 1, 1998).

NEW SECTION. SECTION 12. There is hereby added to K.C.C. chapter 21A.06 a new section to read as follows:

**Bioengineering.** Bioengineering: the use of vegetation and other natural materials such as soil, wood and rock to stabilize soil, typically against slides and stream flow erosion. When natural materials alone do not possess the needed strength to resist hydraulic and gravitational

forces, bioengineering may consist of the use of natural materials integrated with human-made fabrics and connecting materials in order to create a complex matrix that joins with in-place native materials to provide erosion control. Common techniques used in bioengineering include the use of wattles, brush layering, vegetated geogrid, tree revetment and live staking.

SECTION 13. Ordinance 10870, Section 62, and K.C.C. 21A.06.110 are each hereby amended to read as follows:

**Biologist.** Biologist: a person who has earned at least a Bachelor of Science degree in the biological sciences from an accredited college or university and:

A. Has a minimum of five years of relevant work experience in the field of biology; or  
~~((who))~~

B. ((h))Has equivalent educational training and experience. (Ord. 10870 § 62, 1993).

NEW SECTION. SECTION 14. There is hereby added to K.C.C. chapter 21A.06 a new section to read as follows: [SAO Section 14] [amended]

**Bog.** Bog: a wetland that has no significant inflows or outflows and supports acidophilic mosses, particularly sphagnum.

SECTION 15. Ordinance 10870, Section 70, and K.C.C. 21A.06.122 are each hereby amended to read as follows:

**Buffer.** Buffer: a designated area contiguous to a steep slope or landslide hazard area intended to protect slope stability, attenuation of surface water flows and landslide hazards or a designated area contiguous to ~~((a stream))~~ an aquatic area or wetland and intended to support or protect ~~((the stream or wetland and be an integral part of the stream or wetland ecosystem))~~ an aquatic area, wetland or fish and wildlife habitat conservation area. (Ord. 10870 § 70, 1993).



92        NEW SECTION. SECTION 16. There is hereby added to K.C.C. chapter 21A.06 a new  
93 section to read as follows:

94        **Cave.** Cave: a cavity, recess, void or system of interconnected passages, including  
95 associated dendritic tubes, cracks and fissures, that occurs under the earth in soils, rock, ice or  
96 other geological formations and is large enough to contain an adult human. A mine shaft might  
97 mimic a cave, and an abandoned mine shaft with an actual or suspected occurrence of a priority  
98 species should be regulated in a manner similar to caves.

99        NEW SECTION. SECTION 17. There is hereby added to K.C.C. chapter 21A.06 a new  
100 section to read as follows:

101        **Channel.** Channel: a feature that contains and was formed by periodically or  
102 continuously flowing water.

103        NEW SECTION. SECTION 18. There is hereby added to K.C.C. chapter 21A.06 a new  
104 section to read as follows:

105        **Channel edge.** Channel edge: The outer edge of the water's bankfull width or, where  
106 applicable, the outer edge of the associated channel migration zone.

107        NEW SECTION. SECTION 19. There is hereby added to K.C.C.  
108 chapter 21A.06 a new section to read as follows:

109        **Channel migration hazard area, moderate.** Channel migration hazard area, moderate:  
110 a portion of the channel migration zone, as shown on King County's Channel Migration Zone  
111 maps, that lies between the severe channel migration hazard area and the outer boundaries of the  
112 channel migration zone.

113        NEW SECTION. SECTION 20. There is hereby added to K.C.C.  
114 chapter 21A.06 a new section to read as follows:

**Channel migration hazard area, severe.** Channel migration hazard area, severe: a portion of the channel migration zone, as shown on King County's Channel Migration Zone maps, that includes the present channel. The total width of the severe channel migration hazard area equals one hundred years times the average annual channel migration rate, plus the present channel width. The average annual channel migration rate shall be as determined in the technical report that is the basis for each Channel Migration Zone map.

SECTION 21. Ordinance 11621, Section 20, and K.C.C. 21A.06.182 are each hereby amended to read as follows:

**Channel ((~~relocation and stream meander areas~~)) migration zone.** Channel ((~~relocation and stream meander area~~)) migration zone: those areas within the lateral extent of likely stream channel movement that are subject to risk due to stream bank destabilization, rapid stream incision, stream bank erosion, and shifts in the location of stream channels, as shown on King County's Channel Migration Zone maps. The channel migration zone is the corridor that includes the present channel, the severe channel migration hazard area and the moderate channel migration hazard area. A channel migration zone does not include those areas that lie behind an arterial road, a public road serving as a sole access route, a regional transportation corridor, or a lawfully established flood hazard reduction facility that is likely to be protected from future bank erosion due to existing programs for public maintenance. When a natural geologic feature will affect channel migration, the channel migration zone width

shall be modified to consider such natural constraints. (Ord. 11621 § 20, 1994).

SECTION 22. Ordinance 10870, Section 79, and K.C.C. 21A.06.195 are each hereby amended to read as follows: [SALT Section 15]

**Clearing.** Clearing: ~~((the limbing, pruning, trimming, topping,))~~ cutting, killing, grubbing or ((removal of)) removing vegetation or other organic plant ~~((matter))~~ material by physical, mechanical, chemical or any other similar means for the purpose of removing the vegetation cover or some component thereof. For the purpose of this definition, “cutting” means the severing of the main trunk or stem of woody vegetation at any point from the soil surface up to seventy-five percent of the trunk's or stem's height or, for evergreen trees, the severing of the main trunk or stem at any height. (Ord. 10870 § 79, 1993).

NEW SECTION. SECTION 23. There is hereby added to K.C.C. chapter 21A.06 a new section to read as follows: [SALT Section 16]

**Clearing and grading permit.** Clearing and grading permit: the permit required by this title for either clearing activities or grading activities, or both, including programmatic permits.

NEW SECTION. SECTION 24. There is hereby added to K.C.C. chapter 21A.06 a new section to read as follows:

**Cliff.** Cliff: a slope exceeding twenty-five feet in height and sixty-five degrees or greater in average grade that occurs below five-thousand-feet elevation above sea level.

SECTION 25. Ordinance 13319, Section 3, and K.C.C. 21A.06.197 are each hereby amended to read as follows: [SAO Section 17]

**Coal mine by-products stockpile.** Coal mine by-products stockpile: an accumulation, ~~((greater))~~ more than five hundred cubic yards and five feet of vertical depth, of ~~((undisturbed))~~ waste ~~((and/))~~ or byproduct materials having ~~((greater))~~ more than ~~((fifty))~~ twenty-five percent, as

measured by weight, of mineral coal or coal shale as a component and ~~((which))~~ that resulted from ~~((historic))~~ coal mining. (Ord. 13319 § 3, 1998).

SECTION 26. Ordinance 10870, Section 80, as amended, and K.C.C. 21A.06.200 are each hereby amended to read as follows: [SAO Section 16]

**Coal mine hazard area((s)).** Coal mine hazard area((s)): ~~((those))~~ an area((s)) in King County underlain or directly affected by operative or abandoned subsurface coal mine workings. ~~((Based upon a coal mine hazard assessment report prepared pursuant to K.C.C. 21A.24.210, coal mine hazard areas are to be categorized as declassified, moderate, or severe:~~

~~A. "Declassified" coal mine areas are those for which a risk of catastrophic collapse is not significant and which the hazard assessment report has determined require no special engineering or architectural recommendations to prevent significant risks of property damage. Declassified coal mine areas may typically include, but are not limited to, areas underlain or directly affected by coal mines at depths greater than three hundred feet as measured from the surface but may often include areas underlain or directly affected by coal mines at depths less than three hundred feet.~~

~~B. "Moderate" coal mine hazard areas are those areas that pose significant risks of property damage which can be mitigated by special engineering or architectural recommendations. Moderate coal mine hazard areas may typically include, but are not be limited to, areas underlain or directly affected by abandoned coal mine workings from a depth of zero (i.e., the surface of the land) to three hundred feet or with overburden cover to seam thickness ratios of less than ten to one dependent on the inclination of the seam.~~

~~C. "Severe" coal mine hazard areas are those areas that pose a significant risk of catastrophic ground surface collapse. Severe coal mine hazard areas may typically include, but~~

are not be limited to, areas characterized by unmitigated openings such as entries, portals, adits, mine shafts, air shafts, timber shafts, sinkholes, improperly filled sink holes, and other areas of past or significant probability for catastrophic ground surface collapse. Severe coal mine hazard areas typically include, but are not limited to, overland surfaces underlain or directly affected by abandoned coal mine workings from a depth of zero (i.e., surface of the land) to one hundred fifty feet.)) (Ord. 13319 § 1, 1998: Ord. 10870 § 80, 1993).

NEW SECTION. SECTION 27. There is hereby added to K.C.C. chapter 21A.06 a new section to read as follows: [SALT Section 17]

**Compaction.** Compaction: the densification of a fill or the natural soil column by mechanical means.

NEW SECTION. SECTION 28. There is hereby added to K.C.C. chapter 21A.06 a new section to read as follows:

**Conserve and conservation.** Conserve and conservation: to use, and the use of, all methods and procedures that are available to protect the abundance and distribution of, and to promote the recovery of, biota and the ecosystems upon which they depend.

SECTION 29. K.C.C. 20.70.010 is recodified as a new section in K.C.C. chapter 21A.06.

SECTION 30. Ordinance 11481, Section 1, and K.C.C. 20.70.010 are each hereby amended to read as follows:

~~((Definition: ))~~**Critical aquifer recharge area.** Critical aquifer recharge area~~((s: means))~~: an area((s)) that ((have been)) is identified as a sole-source aquifer((s)), an area((s)) that ((have)) has a high susceptibility to ground water contamination((s)) or an area((s)) that ((have been)) is approved ((pursuant to WAC)) in accordance with 246-290 WAC as a wellhead protection

area((s)) for a municipal or district drinking water system((s)). An ((A))area((s)) with a high susceptibility to ground water contamination occurs where an aquifer((s-are)) is used for drinking water and there is a combination of permeable soils, permeable subsurface geology((s)) and ground water close to the ground surface. (Ord. 11481 § 1, 1994).

NEW SECTION. SECTION .31. There is hereby added to K.C.C. chapter 21A.06 a new section to read as follows:

**Critical area.** Critical area: any of those areas in King County that are subject to natural hazards or those land features that support unique, fragile or valuable natural resources including fish, wildlife or other organisms or their habitats or such resources that carry, hold or purify water in their natural state. “Critical area” includes the following areas:

A. Coal mine hazard area;

B. Erosion hazard area;

C. Flood hazard area;

D. Landslide hazard area;

E. Seismic hazard area;

F. Steep slope hazard area;

G. Volcanic hazard area;

H. Aquatic area;

I. Wetland; and

J. Fish and wildlife habitat conservation area.

SECTION 32. Ordinance 10870, Section 92, and K.C.C. 21A.06.260 are each hereby amended to read as follows: [SAO Section 19]

**Critical facility.** Critical facility: a facility necessary to protect the public health, safety

and welfare (~~(and which is)~~) including, but not limited to, a facility defined under the occupancy categories of "essential facilities," ~~((;))~~ "hazardous facilities" and "special occupancy structures" in the structural forces chapter or succeeding chapter in the Uniform Building Code. Critical facilities also include nursing (~~(homes)~~) and personal care facilities, senior citizen assisted housing, public roadway bridges~~((;))~~ and sites for hazardous substance storage or production, not including the temporary storage of consumer products containing hazardous substances intended for household use or for retail sale on the site. (Ord. 10870 § 92, 1993).

SECTION 33. Ordinance 10870, Section 96, and K.C.C. 21A.06.280 are each hereby amended to read as follows: [SALT Section 20]

**Department.** Department: the King County department of development and environmental services or its successor agency. (Ord. 10870 § 96, 1993).

NEW SECTION. SECTION 34. There is hereby added to K.C.C. chapter 21A.06 a new section to read as follows: [SALT Section 21]

**Depth of cut.** Depth of cut: the vertical distance measured from the top of the excavation to the toe of the excavation.

NEW SECTION. SECTION 35. There is hereby added to K.C.C. chapter 21A.06 a new section to read as follows: [SALT Section 22]

**Depth of fill.** Depth of fill: the vertical distance measured from the top of the embankment to the toe of the embankment or from the top of the final grade to the lowest point of the pre-activity grade, as appropriate.

NEW SECTION. SECTION 36. There is hereby added to K.C.C. chapter 21A.06 a new section to read as follows: [SAO Section 20] [amended]

**Ditch.** Ditch: an artificial open channel used or constructed for the purpose of conveying water.

NEW SECTION. SECTION 37. There is hereby added to K.C.C. chapter 21A.06 a new section to read as follows: [SAO Section 21]

**Drainage basin.** Drainage basin: a drainage area that drains to the Cedar river, Green river, Snoqualmie river, Skykomish river, White river, Lake Washington or other drainage area that drains directly to Puget Sound.

NEW SECTION. SECTION 38. There is hereby added to K.C.C. chapter 21A.06 a new section to read as follows: [SAO Section 22]

**Drainage facility.** Drainage facility: a feature, constructed or engineered for the primary purpose of providing drainage, that collects, conveys, stores or treats surface water. A drainage facility may include, but is not limited to, a stream, pipeline, channel, ditch, gutter, lake, wetland, closed depression, flow control or water quality treatment facility and erosion and sediment control facility.

NEW SECTION. SECTION 39. There is hereby added to K.C.C. chapter 21A.06 a new section to read as follows: [SAO Section 23]

**Drainage subbasin.** Drainage subbasin: a drainage area identified as a drainage subbasin in a county-approved basin plan or, if not identified, a drainage area that drains to a waterbody that is named and mapped and contained within a drainage basin.

NEW SECTION. SECTION 40. There is hereby added to K.C.C. chapter 21A.06 a new section to read as follows:

**Effective impervious surface.** Effective impervious surface:



A. All impervious surface area on a development site except those portions that meet one of the following conditions:

1. The impervious surface runoff is fully dispersed using the county's full dispersion Best Management Practices;

2. The impervious surface runoff is fully infiltrated according to the infiltration standards in the county's Surface Water Design Manual; or

3. The impervious surface runoff is managed in an alternative way approved by the county that effectively mitigates all of the hydrologic effects of the impervious surface, which are increased runoff peaks, frequencies, volumes and flashiness and decreased groundwater recharge; and

B. Impervious surface area that does not meet any of the condition listed in subsection A.1., 2. or 3. of this section is considered to be effective impervious area at the "site scale" as opposed to a "watershed scale," even if its runoff flows over pervious area before reaching the local drainage system or flows through an onsite stormwater detention facility.

SECTION 41. Ordinance 11621, Section 21, and K.C.C. 21A.06.392 are each hereby amended to read as follows: [SAO Section 24]

**Emergency.** Emergency: an unanticipated occurrence during which there is imminent danger to the public health, safety and welfare, or ~~((which))~~ that poses an imminent risk ~~((to))~~ of property~~((s))~~ damage or personal injury or death as a result of a natural or ~~((man))~~ human-made catastrophe, as ~~((so declared))~~ determined by the director~~((of DDES))~~. (Ord. 11621 § 21, 1994).

NEW SECTION. SECTION 42. There is hereby added to K.C.C. chapter 21A.06 a new section to read as follows: [SAO Section 25]

**Emergency action.** Emergency action: an action taken in direct response to and to avoid, prevent or protect against the risks or dangers of an emergency and that must be undertaken immediately or within a time frame too short to allow full compliance with this title.

NEW SECTION. SECTION 43. There is hereby added to K.C.C. chapter 21A.06 a new section to read as follows: [SAO Section 26]

**Engineer, civil, geotechnical and structural.** Engineer, civil, geotechnical and structural:

A. Civil engineer: an engineer who is licensed as a professional civil engineer by the state of Washington;

B. Geotechnical engineer: an engineer who is licensed as a professional civil engineer by the state of Washington and who has at least four years of relevant professional employment in the field of geotechnical, geological or mining engineering; and

C. Structural engineer: an engineer who is licensed as a professional civil engineer by the state of Washington and who has at least four years of relevant professional employment in the field of structural engineering.

SECTION 44. Ordinance 10870, Section 120, and K.C.C. 21A.06.400 are each hereby amended to read as follows:

**Enhancement.** Enhancement: for the purposes of critical area regulation, an action ((which increases)) that improves the processes, structure and functions ((and values of a stream, wetland or other sensitive area or buffer)) of ecosystems and habitats associated with critical areas or their buffers. (Ord. 10870 § 120, 1993).

SECTION 45. Ordinance 10870, Section 122, and K.C.C. 21A.06.410 are each hereby amended to read as follows: [SALT Section 32]

**Erosion.** Erosion: the ~~((process by which soil particles are mobilized and transported by natural agents such as wind, rainsplash, frost action or surface water flow))~~ wearing away of the ground surface as the result of the movement of wind, water and ice. (Ord. 10870 § 122, 1993).

NEW SECTION. SECTION 46. There is hereby added to K.C.C. chapter 21A.06 a new section to read as follows: [SALT Section 33]

**Erosion and sediment control standards.** Erosion and sediment control standards: the document describing the erosion and sediment control planning and design requirements, procedures and guidance that has been formally adopted by rule under procedures specified in K.C.C. chapter 2.98. The erosion and sediment control standards are available from the department of development and environmental services or the department of natural resources, water and land division, or their successor agencies.

SECTION 47. Ordinance 10870, Section 123, and K.C.C. 21A.06.415 are each hereby amended to read as follows: [SAO Section 28]

**Erosion hazard area((s)).** Erosion hazard area((s)): ~~((those))~~ an area((s)) in King County underlain by soils ~~((which))~~ that are subject to severe erosion when disturbed. ~~((Such))~~ These soils include, but are not limited to~~((;))~~:

A. ~~((t))~~ Those classified as having a severe to very severe erosion hazard according to the ~~((USDA))~~ United States Department of Agriculture Soil Conservation Service, the 1990 Snoqualmie Pass Area Soil Survey, the 1973 King County Soils Survey or any subsequent revisions or addition by or to these sources~~((—These soils include, but are not limited to,))~~ such as any occurrence of River Wash ("Rh") or Coastal Beaches ("Cb") and any of the following when they occur on slopes ~~((15%))~~ fifteen percent or steeper:

~~((A.))~~ 1. The Alderwood gravely sandy loam ("AgD");

- ~~((B.))~~ 2. The Alderwood and Kitsap soils ("AkF");
- ~~((C.))~~ 3. The Beausite gravely sandy loam ("BeD" and "BeF");
- ~~((D.))~~ 4. The Kitsap silt loam ("KpD");
- ~~((E.))~~ 5. The Ovall gravely loam ("OvD" and "OvF");
- ~~((F.))~~ 6. The Ragnar fine sandy loam ("RaD"); and
- ~~((G.))~~ 7. The Ragnar-Indianola Association ("RdE");and

B. Those that represent significant risk to sensitive downstream receiving waters due to proximity to those receiving waters and the size of the disturbed area. (Ord. 10870 § 123, 1993)

NEW SECTION. SECTION 48. There is hereby added to K.C.C. chapter 21A.06 a new section to read as follows:

**Estuary.** Estuary: the deepwater tidal area and adjacent tidal wetland, usually semi-enclosed by land but with open, partly obstructed or sporadic access to open marine waters, and in which marine waters are at least occasionally diluted by freshwater runoff from the land. An estuary extends upstream and landward to where ocean-derived salts measure one-half percent during the period of average annual flow.

NEW SECTION. SECTION 49. There is hereby added to K.C.C. chapter 21A.06 a new section to read as follows: [SALT Section 34]

**Excavation.** Excavation: the removal of any rock, natural soil, organic material, fill or any combination thereof.

NEW SECTION. SECTION 50. There is hereby added to K.C.C. chapter 21A.06 a new section to read as follows:

**Existing, maintained, improved road right-of-way or railroad prism.** Existing, maintained, improved road right-of-way or railroad prism: the maintained areas cleared and

graded within a road right-of-way or railroad prism. For a road right-of-way, this includes all maintained and traveled areas, shoulders, pathways, sidewalks, drainage ditches and cut and fill slopes. For a railroad prism, this includes the maintained railbed and shoulders, which are fill slopes. For the purpose of this definition, “maintained” means the road right-of-way or railroad prism is maintained at least once every five years.

NEW SECTION. SECTION 51. There is hereby added to K.C.C. chapter 21A.06 a new section to read as follows:

**Expansion.** Expansion: the act or process of increasing the size, quantity or scope of something, or the product of expanding something. An expansion may include a change in use of a structure, facility or equipment beyond what previously existed.

NEW SECTION. SECTION 52. There is hereby added to K.C.C. chapter 21A.06 a new section to read as follows:

**Federal Emergency Management Agency.** Federal Emergency Management Agency: the independent federal agency that, among other responsibilities, oversees the administration of the National Flood Insurance Program.

NEW SECTION. SECTION 53. There is hereby added to K.C.C. chapter 21A.06 a new section to read as follows:

**FEMA.** FEMA: the Federal Emergency Management Agency.

SECTION 54. Ordinance 10870, Section 131, and K.C.C. 21A.06.455 are each hereby amended to read as follows: [SAO Section 29]

~~((Federal Emergency Management Agency ("))FEMA(("))) floodway.~~ ~~((Federal Emergency Management Agency ("))FEMA((")))~~ floodway: the channel of the stream and that portion of the adjoining floodplain ~~((which))~~ that is necessary to contain and discharge the base

flood flow without increasing the base flood elevation more than one foot. (Ord. 10870 § 131, 1993).

NEW SECTION. SECTION 55. There is hereby added to K.C.C. chapter 21A.06 a new section to read as follows: [SAO Section 30] [amended]

**Fen.** Fen: a wetland that receives some drainage from surrounding mineral soil-and includes peat formed mainly from Carex and marsh-like vegetation.

NEW SECTION. SECTION 56. There is hereby added to K.C.C. chapter 21A.06 a new section to read as follows: [SALT Section 35]

**Fill.** Fill: a deposit of any rock; natural soil; organic material; recycled or waste materials made of nonnoxious, nonflammable, noncombustible and nonputrescible solids; or any combination thereof, placed by mechanical means.

NEW SECTION. SECTION 57. There is hereby added to K.C.C. chapter 21A.06 a new section to read as follows:

**Fish and wildlife habitat conservation area.** Fish and wildlife habitat conservation area: any of the following habitat areas:

- A. Habitat for federal or state listed endangered, threatened or sensitive species;
- B. Habitat for salmonids of local importance;
- C. Habitat for raptors and herons of local importance;
- D. Commercial and recreational shellfish areas;
- E. Kelp and eelgrass beds;
- F. Herring, sand lance and smelt spawning areas;
- G. Naturally occurring ponds less than twenty acres and their submerged aquatic beds that provide habitat for fish or wildlife;

H. Wildlife habitat networks designated by King County;

I. Aquatic areas, including riparian corridors; and

J. Habitat for candidate species, as listed by the Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife, found outside the area designated urban in the King County Comprehensive Plan.

SECTION 58. Ordinance 10870, Section 134, and K.C.C. 21A.06.470 are each hereby amended to read as follows:

**Flood fringe, zero-rise.** Flood fringe, zero rise: that portion of the floodplain outside of the zero-rise floodway ~~((which))~~that is covered by floodwaters during the base flood, generally associated with standing water rather than rapidly flowing water. (Ord. 10870 § 134, 1993).

SECTION 59. Ordinance 10870, Section 135, as amended, and K.C.C. 21A.06.475 are each hereby amended to read as follows:

**Flood hazard area((s)).** Flood hazard area((s)): ~~((those))~~ any area((s)) in King County subject to inundation by the base flood ~~((and those areas))~~or ~~((subject to))~~ risk from channel ~~((relocation or stream meander))~~migration including, but not limited to, a stream((s)), lake((s)), wetland~~((s and))~~or closed depression((s)). (Ord. 11621 § 31, 1994: 10870 § 135, 1993).

NEW SECTION. SECTION 60. There is hereby added to K.C.C. chapter 21A.06 a new section to read as follows:

**Flood hazard boundary map.** Flood hazard boundary map: the initial insurance map issued by FEMA that identifies, based on approximate analyses, the areas of the one percent annual chance, one-hundred-year, flood hazard within a community.

SECTION 61. Ordinance 10870, Section 136, as amended, and K.C.C. 21A.06.480 are each hereby amended to read as follows:

**Flood ((i))Insurance ((r))Rate ((m))Map.** Flood ((i))Insurance ((r))Rate ((m))Map: the official map on which the Federal ((Insurance Administration)) Emergency Management Agency has delineated some areas of flood hazard. (Ord. 11157 § 3, 1993: Ord. 10870 § 136, 1993).

SECTION 62. Ordinance 10870, Section 137, as amended, and K.C.C. 21A.06.485 are each hereby amended to read as follows:

**Flood ((i))Insurance ((s))Study for King County.** Flood ((i))Insurance ((s))Study for King County: the official report provided by the Federal Insurance and Mitigation Administration ((which))that includes flood profiles and the Flood Insurance Rate Map. (Ord. 11157 § 4, 1993: Ord. 10870 § 137, 1993).

SECTION 63. Ordinance 10870, Section 138, as amended, and K.C.C. 21A.06.490 are each hereby amended to read as follows:

**Flood protection elevation.** Flood protection elevation: an elevation ((which))that is one foot above the base flood elevation. (Ord. 10870 § 138, 1993).

NEW SECTION. SECTION 64. There is hereby added to K.C.C. chapter 21A.06 a new section to read as follows:

**Flood protection facility.** Flood protection facility: a structure that provides significant protection from flood damage. Flood protection facility includes, but is not limited to, the following structures and supporting infrastructure:

A. Dams or water diversions, regardless of primary purpose, if the facility provides flood protection benefits;

B. Flood containment facilities such as levees, dikes, berms, walls and raised banks, including pump stations and other supporting structures; and

C. Bank stabilization structures, often called revetments.



SECTION 65. Ordinance 10870, Section 140, and K.C.C. 21A.06.500 are each hereby amended to read as follows:

**Floodproofing, dry.** Floodproofing, dry: adaptations ~~((which))~~ that ~~((will))~~ make a structure that is below the flood protection elevation watertight with walls substantially impermeable to the passage of water, and with structural components capable of resisting ~~((and resistant to))~~ hydrostatic and hydrodynamic loads including ~~((the impacts of))~~ buoyancy. (Ord. 10870 § 140, 1993).

SECTION 66. Ordinance 10870, Section 141, and K.C.C. 21A.06.505 are each hereby amended to read as follows: [SAO Section 32]

**Floodway, zero-rise.** Floodway, zero-rise:

A. ~~((f))~~ The channel of a stream and that portion of the adjoining floodplain ~~((which))~~ that is necessary to contain and discharge the base flood flow without any measurable increase in flood height.

B. For the purpose of this definition, ~~((A))~~ a measurable increase in base flood ~~((height))~~ elevation means a calculated upward rise in the base flood elevation, equal to or greater than 0.01 foot, resulting from a comparison of existing conditions and changed conditions directly attributable to ~~((development))~~ alterations of the topography or placement of obstructions in the floodplain. This definition is broader than that of the FEMA floodway~~((s))~~ but always includes the FEMA floodway.

C. The boundaries of the ~~((100))~~ one hundred-year floodplain, as shown on the ~~((Flood Insurance Study for))~~ FEMA maps or flood hazard boundary maps adopted by King County, are considered the boundaries of the zero-rise floodway unless otherwise delineated ~~((by))~~ in a

((~~sensitive~~)) critical areas special study reviewed and approved by the department. (Ord. 10870 § 141, 1993).

NEW SECTION. SECTION 67. There is hereby added to K.C.C. chapter 21A.06 a new section to read as follows: [SALT Section 36]

**Flyrock.** Flyrock: rock that is propelled through the air by the detonation of explosives.

NEW SECTION. SECTION 68. There is hereby added to K.C.C. chapter 21A.06 a new section to read as follows:

**Forest, mature.** Forest, mature: a stand of trees, not meeting the definition of old growth forest, with average trees exceeding twenty-one inches diameter at breast height. The crown cover may be less than one hundred percent. Decay, decadence, the numbers of snags and the quantity of downed material are generally less than that found in old-growth forest. The trees are up to two hundred years old.

NEW SECTION. SECTION 69. There is hereby added to K.C.C. chapter 21A.06 a new section to read as follows:

**Forest, old-growth.** Forest, old-growth: a stand of trees with trees at least one hundred eighty years old and more than thirty-two inches in diameter at breast height. Generally old-growth forest contains moderate to high canopy closure and includes a multilayered, multispecies canopy dominated by large overstory trees. There is a high incidence of large trees, some with broken tops and other indications of old and decaying wood. There are often numerous large snags and heavy accumulations of wood on the ground, including large logs.

SECTION 70. Ordinance 10870, Section 144, and K.C.C. 21A.06.520 are each hereby amended to read as follows:

**Forest practice.** Forest practice: ~~((any activity regulated by the Washington Department of Natural Resources in Washington Administrative Code ("WAC") 222 or RCW 79.06 for which a forest practice permit is required, together with:~~

~~A. Fire prevention, detection and suppression; and~~

~~B. Slash burning or removal.))~~ A. Any activity as defined in RCW 76.09.020, which includes any activity conducted on or directly pertaining to forest land and relating to the growing, harvesting or processing of timber, including, but not limited to:

1. Road and trail construction;

2. Final and intermediate harvesting;

3. Pre-commercial thinning;

4. Reforestation;

5. Fertilization;

6. Prevention and suppression of diseases and insects;

7. Salvage of trees;

8. Brush control; and

9. Planting.

B. Forest practice shall not include preparatory work such as tree marking, surveying and road flagging and removal or harvesting of incidental vegetation from forest lands such as berries, ferns, greenery, mistletoe, herbs, mushrooms and other products that cannot normally be expected to result in damage to forest soils, timber or public resources. (Ord. 10870 § 144, 1993).

SECTION 71. Ordinance 10870, Section 149, and K.C.C. 21A.06.545 are each hereby amended to read as follows: [SAO Section 34]

**Geologist.** Geologist: a person who has earned at least a ~~((B))~~bachelor of ~~((S))~~science degree in the geological sciences from an accredited college or university ~~((or))~~and:

A. ~~((w))~~Who has a minimum of four years of relevant work experience in the fields of geology, geomorphology or engineering geology; or

B. Who has equivalent educational training and ~~((at least four years of))~~ professional experience with a minimum of four years of relevant work experience in the fields of geology, geomorphology or engineering geology. (Ord. 10870 § 149, 1993).

SECTION 72. Ordinance 10870, Section 150, and K.C.C. 21A.06.550 are each hereby repealed. [SAO Section 35]

~~**(Geotechnical engineer.** Geotechnical engineer: a practicing geotechnical/civil engineer licensed as a professional civil engineer by the State of Washington who has at least four years of professional employment as a geotechnical engineer.))~~ (Ord. 10870 § 150, 1993).

NEW SECTION. SECTION 73. There is hereby added to K.C.C. chapter 21A.06 a new section to read as follows: [SALT Section 39]

**Grade.** Grade: the elevation of the ground surface. "Existing grade," "finish grade" and "rough grade" are defined as follows:

A. "Existing grade" means the grade before grading;

B. "Finish grade" is the final grade of the site that conforms to the approved plan as required under K.C.C. 16.82.060, as recodified by this ordinance; and

C. "Rough grade" means the grade that approximately conforms to the approved plan as required under K.C.C. 16.82.060, as recodified by this ordinance.

551           NEW SECTION. SECTION 74. There is hereby added to K.C.C. chapter 21A.06 a new  
552 section to read as follows: [SALT Section 41]

553           **Ground motion.** Ground motion: a shaking of the ground caused by the elastic wave  
554 emanating from a blast or seismic event.

555           NEW SECTION. SECTION 75. There is hereby added to K.C.C. chapter 21A.06 a new  
556 section to read as follows:

557           **Habitat.** Habitat: the locality, site and particular type of environment occupied by an  
558 organism at any stage in its life cycle.

559           NEW SECTION. SECTION 76. There is hereby added to K.C.C. chapter 21A.06 a new  
560 section to read as follows:

561           **Habitat, fish.** Habitat, fish: habitat that is used by fish at any life stage at any time of  
562 the year including potential habitat likely to be used by fish. This includes habitat that is  
563 upstream of, or landward of, human-made barriers that could be accessible to, and could be used  
564 by, fish upon removal of the barriers. This includes off-channel habitat, flood refuges, tidal flats,  
565 tidal channels, streams and wetlands.

566           NEW SECTION. SECTION 77. There is hereby added to K.C.C. chapter 21A.06 a new  
567 section to read as follows:

568           **Habitat, open.** Habitat, open: habitat that is not occupied by forest or shrub-scrub  
569 vegetation.

570           NEW SECTION. SECTION 78. There is hereby added to K.C.C. chapter 21A.06 a new  
571 section to read as follows:

**Habitat corridor.** Habitat corridor: a contiguous connection between critical areas consisting of native shrub or forest habitats that allows for uninhibited migration of most wildlife species.

NEW SECTION. SECTION 79. There is hereby added to K.C.C. chapter 21A.06 a new section to read as follows:

**Habitat evaluation.** Habitat evaluation: type of critical area special study for determining the abundance and quality of habitat features for a species or other taxonomic group or functional group such as a guild.

NEW SECTION. SECTION 80. There is hereby added to K.C.C. chapter 21A.06 a new section to read as follows: [SALT Section 43]

**Herbicide.** Herbicide: any chemical, organism or product used to kill, repel or otherwise control unwanted vegetation. Herbicide is a type of pesticide.

NEW SECTION. SECTION 81. There is hereby added to K.C.C. chapter 21A.06 a new section to read as follows:

**Hydrologically connected.** Hydrologically connected: a connection between two or more water bodies including, but not limited to, wetlands, streams or lakes as evidenced by:

A. The presence of surface water in a perennial or intermittent stream, through a culvert or subsurface water flows to a depth of eighteen inches;

B. The presence of contiguous hydric soil; or

C. The location of a water body within or contiguous to a one-hundred-year floodplain of a wetland, stream or lake.

NEW SECTION. SECTION 82. There is hereby added to K.C.C. chapter 21A.06 a new section to read as follows:

**Hydrologically mature vegetation.** Hydrologically mature vegetation: a developmental stage of a forest or another vegetation community at which the rainfall and runoff pattern is similar to that of an undisturbed forest or other vegetation community.

SECTION 83. Ordinance 10870, Section 165, and K.C.C. 21A.06.625 are each hereby amended to read as follows: [SALT Section 44]

**Impervious surface.** Impervious surface: ~~((For purposes of this title, impervious surface shall mean))~~ any nonvertical surface artificially covered or hardened so as to prevent or impede the percolation of water into the soil mantle at natural infiltration rates including, but not limited to, roofs, swimming pools~~((;))~~ and areas ~~((which))~~ that are paved, graveled or made of packed or oiled earthen materials such as roads, walkways or parking areas. Impervious surface shall not include ~~((and excluding))~~ landscaping~~((;))~~ and surface water flow control and water quality treatment facilities~~((; access easements serving neighboring property and driveways to the extent that they extend beyond the street setback due to location within an access panhandle or due to the application of King County Code requirements to site features over which the applicant has no control))~~. (Ord. 13190 § 14, 1998: Ord. 11978 § 3, 1995: Ord. 11802 § 2, 1995: Ord. 10870 § 165, 1993).

NEW SECTION. SECTION 84. There is hereby added to K.C.C. chapter 21A.06 a new section to read as follows:

**Impoundment.** Impoundment: a body of water collected in, or as if in, a reservoir, pond or dam or collected as a consequence of natural disturbance events.

NEW SECTION. SECTION 85. There is hereby added to K.C.C. chapter 21A.06 a new section to read as follows: [SALT Section 45]

**Improved area.** Improved area: an area that has been disturbed or altered in accordance with law by mechanical or other human means and is actively maintained to no longer exist in its natural vegetative state. An improved area may include, but is not limited to, an area cleared, graded, planted as lawn, constructed upon or otherwise developed.

NEW SECTION. SECTION 86. There is hereby added to K.C.C. chapter 21A.06 a new section to read as follows:

**Inherent site potential.** Inherent site potential: the potential of a site for contributing to the ecological functions that are necessary for salmonid conservation, this potential being based on the natural, predevelopment characteristics of the site.

NEW SECTION. SECTION 87. There is hereby added to K.C.C. chapter 21A.06 a new section to read as follows:

**Instream structure.** Instream structure: anything placed or constructed below the ordinary high water mark, including, but not limited to, weirs, culverts, fill and natural materials and excluding dikes, levees, revetments and other bank stabilization facilities.

SECTION 88. Ordinance 10870, Section 168, and K.C.C. 21A.06.640 are each hereby amended to read as follows: [SALT Section 129]

**Interim recycling facility.** Interim recycling facility: a site or establishment engaged in collection or treatment of recyclable materials, ~~((which))~~ that is not the final disposal site, and including:

A. Drop boxes; and

B. ~~((Source separated, organic waste processing facilities; and~~

~~C.--))~~Collection, separation and shipment of glass, metal, paper or other recyclables.

(Ord. 10870 § 168, 1993).



NEW SECTION. SECTION 89. There is hereby added to K.C.C. chapter 21A.06 a new section to read as follows:

**Lake.** Lake: an aquatic area consisting of an inland body of water covering twenty acres or more at seasonal low water.

SECTION 90. Ordinance 10870, Section 176, and K.C.C. 21A.06.680 are each hereby amended to read as follows: [SAO Section 42]

**Landslide hazard area((s)).** Landslide hazard area((s)): ~~((those))~~an area((s)) in King County subject to a moderate or severe risk((s)) of landslide((s)), ~~((including the following))~~ such as:

A. An((y)) area with a combination of:

1. Slopes steeper than ~~((45%))~~ fifteen percent;

2. Impermeable soils, such as silt and clay, frequently interbedded with granular soils, such as sand and gravel; and

3. ~~((s))~~Springs or ground water seepage;

B. An((y)) area ~~((which))~~ that has shown movement during the Holocene epoch, from ~~((10,000))~~ ten thousand years ago to the present((;)) or ~~((which))~~ that is underlain by mass wastage debris from that epoch;

C. An((y)) area potentially unstable as a result of rapid stream incision, stream bank erosion or undercutting by wave action;

D. An((y)) area ~~((which))~~ that shows evidence of or is at risk from snow avalanches; or

E. An((y)) area located on an alluvial fan, presently ~~((subject to))~~ or potentially subject to inundation by debris flows or deposition of stream-transported sediments. (Ord. 10870 § 176, 1993).

663           NEW SECTION. SECTION 91. There is hereby added to K.C.C. chapter 21A.06 a new  
664 section to read as follows: [SALT Section 84][amended]

665           **Maintenance.** Maintenance: those usual acts to prevent a decline, lapse or cessation  
666 from a lawfully established condition without any expansion of or significant change from that  
667 originally established condition. Activities within landscaped areas within areas subject to native  
668 vegetation retention requirements may be considered maintenance only if they maintain or  
669 enhance the canopy and understory cover. “Maintenance” does not include repair and  
670 replacement work. When maintenance is conducted specifically in accordance with, the  
671 Regional Road Maintenance Guidelines, the definition of “maintenance” in the glossary of those  
672 guidelines supersedes this definition.

673           NEW SECTION. SECTION 92. There is hereby added to K.C.C. chapter 21A.06 a new  
674 section to read as follows:

675           **Maximum extent practicable.** Maximum extent practicable: the highest level of  
676 effectiveness that can be achieved through the use of best available science or technology. In  
677 determining what is the maximum extent practicable, the department shall consider, at a  
678 minimum, the effectiveness, engineering feasibility, commercial availability, safety and cost of  
679 the measures.

680           NEW SECTION. SECTION 93. There is hereby added to K.C.C. chapter 21A a new  
681 section to read as follows:

682           **Mine.** Mine: a mine is a human-made excavation in the earth usually used to extract  
683 minerals.

684           SECTION 94. Ordinance 10870, Section 190, and K.C.C. 21A.06.750 are each hereby  
685 amended to read as follows:

**Mitigation.** Mitigation: ~~((the use of any or all of the following))~~ an action~~((, listed in descending order of preference))~~ taken to avoid, minimize, rectify, reduce, eliminate, or compensate for adverse impacts to the environment resulting from a development activity or alteration~~((:~~

~~A. Avoiding the impact by not taking a certain action;~~

~~B. Minimizing the impact by limiting the degree or magnitude of the action by using appropriate technology or by taking affirmative steps to avoid or reduce the impact;~~

~~C. Rectifying the impact by repairing, rehabilitating or restoring the affected sensitive area or buffer;~~

~~D. Reducing or eliminating the impact over time by preservation or maintenance operations during the life of the development proposal;~~

~~E. Compensating for the impact by replacing, enhancing or providing substitute sensitive areas and environments; and~~

~~F. Monitoring the impact and taking appropriate corrective measures)).~~ (Ord. 10870 § 190, 1993).

SECTION 95. Ordinance 11621, Section 26, and K.C.C. 21A.06.751 are each hereby amended to read as follows:

**Mitigation bank.** Mitigation bank: a property that has been protected in perpetuity~~((;))~~ and approved by appropriate county, state and federal agencies expressly for the purpose of providing compensatory mitigation in advance of authorized impacts through any combination of restoration, creation~~((, and/))~~ or enhancement of wetlands~~((;))~~ and, in exceptional circumstances, preservation of adjacent wetlands~~((;))~~ and wetland buffers~~((, and/))~~ or protection of other aquatic or fish and wildlife resources. (Ord. 11621 § 26, 1994).

SECTION 96. Ordinance 10870, Section 198, and K.C.C. 21A.06.790 are each hereby amended to read as follows: [SALT Section 48]

**Native vegetation.** Native vegetation: ~~((vegetation comprised))~~ a mix of plant species ~~((, other than noxious weeds, which are))~~ consisting of herbs, grasses, grass-like plants, shrubs and trees indigenous to the ~~((coastal region of the Pacific Northwest and which))~~ Puget Sound region that reasonably could ~~((have been))~~ be expected to naturally occur on the site. (Ord. 10870 § 198, 1993).

SECTION 97. Ordinance 11555, Section 2, as amended, and K.C.C. 21A.06.797 are each hereby amended to read as follows: [SAO Section 45]

**Net buildable area.** ~~((A.))~~ Net buildable area: ~~((shall be))~~ the "~~((S))~~site area" less the following areas:

~~((1.))~~ A. Areas within a project site ~~((which))~~ are required to be dedicated for public rights-of-way in excess of sixty feet ~~((60'))~~ in width;

~~((2.))~~ B. ~~((Sensitive))~~ Critical areas and their buffers to the extent they are required by King County to remain undeveloped;

~~((3.))~~ C. Areas required for storm water control facilities other than facilities ~~((which))~~ that are completely underground, including, but not limited to, retention~~((/))~~ or detention ponds, biofiltration swales and setbacks from such ponds and swales;

~~((4.))~~ D. Areas required by King County to be dedicated or reserved as on-site recreation areas~~((/))~~;

~~((5.))~~ E. Regional utility corridors; and

~~((6.))~~ F. Other areas, excluding setbacks, required by King County to remain undeveloped. (Ord. 11798 § 3, 1995: Ord. 11555 § 2, 1994).

SECTION 98. Ordinance 10870, Section 203, and K.C.C. 21A.06.815 are each hereby amended to read as follows: [SALT Section 49]

**Noxious weed.** Noxious weed: a ~~((ny))~~ plant species ~~((which))~~ that is highly destructive, competitive or difficult to control by cultural or chemical practices, limited to ~~((those))~~ any plant~~((s))~~ species listed on the state noxious weed list contained in ~~((WAC))~~ chapter 16-750 WAC, regardless of the list's regional designation or classification. (Ord. 10870 § 203, 1993).

SECTION 99. Ordinance 10870, Section 205, and K.C.C. 21A.06.825 are each hereby amended to read as follows:

**Ordinary high water mark.** Ordinary high water mark: the mark found by examining the bed and banks of a stream, lake, pond or tidal water and ascertaining where the presence and action of waters are so common and long maintained in ordinary years as to mark upon the soil a vegetative character distinct from that of the abutting upland. In any area where the ordinary high water mark cannot be found, the line of mean high water in areas adjoining freshwater or mean higher high tide in areas adjoining saltwater shall substitute. In any area where neither can be found, the top of the channel bank shall substitute. In braided channels and alluvial fans, the ordinary high water mark or line of mean high water shall be measured so as to include the entire water or stream feature. (Ord. 10870 § 205, 1993).

NEW SECTION. SECTION 100. There is hereby added to K.C.C. chapter 21A.06 a new section to read as follows:

**Patch.** Patch: a relatively homogenous nonlinear area of vegetative cover or development that differs from its surroundings.

NEW SECTION. SECTION 101. There is hereby added to K.C.C. chapter 21A.06 a new section to read as follows: [SALT Section 51]

**Pesticide** Pesticide: any herbicide, insecticide, fungicide, rodenticide or any other chemical used to kill, repel or otherwise control unwanted organisms.

NEW SECTION. SECTION 102. There is hereby added to K.C.C. chapter 21A.06 a new section to read as follows:

**Pond.** Pond: an aquatic area consisting of an inland body of open water that is less than twenty acres at seasonal low water, including beaver ponds and tarns.

NEW SECTION. SECTION 103. There is hereby added to K.C.C. chapter 21A.06 a new section to read as follows:

**Primary association.** Primary association: a positive relationship that is strong and predictable between a species and a habitat that reflects dependence by the species on the habitat.

NEW SECTION. SECTION 104. There is hereby added to K.C.C. chapter 21A.06 a new section to read as follows:

**Priority area.** Priority area: an area that is one or more of the following:

A. An artificial nesting feature, which is a human-made feature used for nesting such as a nest box or platform;

B. A breeding area, which is the area necessary to support reproduction and the rearing of young and includes a breeding site and adjacent foraging habitat and may include a disturbance buffer;

C. A breeding site, which is the immediate area and features associated with producing and rearing young, such as a nest tree, den or redd. Typically a breeding site is a point location;

D. A communal roost, which is a habitat feature, such as a tree, cave or cliff that is regularly or traditionally used by species of wildlife for resting or hibernating;

E. A foraging area, which is a feeding area that is regularly used by fish or wildlife;

F. A hacking site, which is a location where juvenile diurnal raptors, which are usually bred in captivity, are released to acclimate them to the wild;

G. A haulout, which is a land area where marine mammals regularly rest;

H. A migration corridor, which is an area or route regularly or traditionally used by fish and wildlife to travel between seasonal habitats;

I. A movement corridor, which is a route used by fish and wildlife to move between areas and habitats for the purposes of foraging, breeding, resting, roosting and perching;

J. A regular concentration area, which is an area that is commonly or traditionally used by one or more groups of a species of fish or wildlife on a seasonal or year-round basis, such as a core area, staging area or stopover site;

K. A regularly used perch, which is a habitat feature, such as a tree or cliff, that is regularly or traditionally used by birds for perching; and

L. A rookery, which is a communal breeding and rearing area for birds and marine mammals.

SECTION 105. Ordinance 10870, Section 221, and K.C.C. 21A.06.905 are each hereby repealed: [Repealed by SAO Section 47]

~~((Private stormwater management facility. Private stormwater management facility: a surface water control structure installed by a project proponent to retain, detain or otherwise limit runoff from an individual or group of developed sites specifically served by such structure.))~~  
(Ord. 10870 § 221, 1993).

NEW SECTION. SECTION 106. There is hereby added to K.C.C. chapter 21A.06 a new section to read as follows: [SALT Section 130]

**Processing operation.** Processing operation: a site or establishment, not an accessory to mineral extraction or sawmill use, that is primarily engaged in crushing, grinding, pulverizing or otherwise preparing earth materials, vegetation, organic waste, construction and demolition materials or recycled and source-separated nonhazardous waste materials and that is not the final disposal site.

NEW SECTION. SECTION 107. There is hereby added to K.C.C. chapter 21A.06 a new section to read as follows:

**Raptors and herons of local importance.** Raptors and herons of local importance: red-tailed hawk, osprey, black-crowned night heron and great-blue heron.

NEW SECTION. SECTION 108. There is hereby added to K.C.C. chapter 21A.06 a new section to read as follows: [SALT Section 52]

**Reclamation.** Reclamation: the final grading and restoration of a site to reestablish on a perpetual basis the vegetative cover, soil, surface water and groundwater conditions appropriate to accommodate and sustain all permitted uses of the proposed zone appropriate for the site.

NEW SECTION. SECTION 109. There is hereby added to K.C.C. chapter 21A.06 a new section to read as follows: [SAO Section 48] [BR comments]

**Rectification.** Rectification: for purposes of critical areas regulation, an action that repairs an alteration to a critical area or buffer.

SECTION 110. Ordinance 10870, Section 235, and K.C.C. 21A.06.975 are each hereby repealed. [Repealed by SAO Section 49; SALT includes in Section 9]

~~**Regional stormwater management facility.** Regional stormwater management facility: a surface water control structure installed in or adjacent to a stream or wetland of a basin or sub-basin by the surface water management ("SWM") division or a project proponent. Such facilities~~



~~protect downstream areas identified by SWM as having previously existing or predicted significant regional basin flooding or erosion problems.~~ (Ord. 10870 § 235, 1993).

NEW SECTION. SECTION 111. There is hereby added to K.C.C. chapter 21A.06 a new section to read as follows:

**Repair.** Repair: to fix or restore to sound condition after damage. “Repair” includes those usual activities undertaken to prevent a decline, lapse or cessation in the use of structures and systems.

NEW SECTION. SECTION 112. There is hereby added to K.C.C. chapter 21A.06 a new section to read as follows:

**Replace.** Replace: to take or fill the place of something with an equivalent or substitute thing that serves the same purpose. The replacement of an existing structure or system may or may not involve an expansion.

NEW SECTION. SECTION 113. There is hereby added to K.C.C. chapter 21A.06 a new section to read as follows:

**Reservoir.** Reservoir: an artificially confined body of water created to store water for consumption, power generation, irrigation or other purposes.

SECTION 114. Ordinance 10870, Section 240, and K.C.C. 21A.06.1000 are each hereby amended to read as follows: [SAO Section 50]

**Restoration.** Restoration: for purposes of critical areas regulation, an action that ~~((returning))~~ returns a ~~((stream, wetland, other sensitive))~~ critical area or any associated buffer to a state in which its ~~((stability))~~ structure and functions approach its ~~((unaltered))~~ pre-disturbed state as closely as possible. (Ord. 10870 § 240, 1993).

NEW SECTION. SECTION 115. There is hereby added to K.C.C. chapter 21A.06 a new section to read as follows:

**Riparian corridor.** Riparian corridor: the riparian zones along both sides of a stream.

NEW SECTION. SECTION 116. There is hereby added to K.C.C. chapter 21A.06 a new section to read as follows: [SALT Section 53]

**Roadway.** Roadway: the pavement width or proper driving portion of the road and shoulders within the outside limits of the constructed fill slopes. The roadway is only one of the improved portions within the road right-of-way, which also may include the roadside ditch and cut or engineered slope.

SECTION 117. Ordinance 10870, Section 243, and K.C.C. 21A.06.1015 are each hereby amended to read as follows:

**Salmonid.** Salmonid: a member of the fish family ((s))Salmonidae, including, but not limited to:

A. Chinook, coho or silver, chum, sockeye and pink salmon;

B. Rainbow, steelhead and cutthroat salmon, which is also known as trout;

C. Brown trout;

D. Brook, bull trout, which is also known as char, and ((d))Dolly ((v))Varden char;

E. Kokanee; and

F. Pygmy ((W))whitefish. (Ord. 10870 § 243, 1993).

NEW SECTION. SECTION 118. There is hereby added to K.C.C. chapter 21A.06 a new section to read as follows:

**Salmonids of local importance.** Salmonids of local importance: kokanee, sockeye, red salmon, chum salmon, coho or silver salmon, pink salmon, coastal resident or searun cutthroat, rainbow trout, steelhead, bull trout, Dolly Varden char and pygmy whitefish.

NEW SECTION. SECTION 119. There is hereby added to K.C.C. chapter 21A.06 a new section to read as follows:

**Seasonal low water.** Seasonal low water: the lowest surface water elevation in a lake, stream, river, pond, impoundment or wetland occurring during a year of normal rainfall. For the purpose of this definition “normal rainfall” means rainfall that is at or near the mean of the accumulated annual rainfall record, based upon the water year for King County as recorded by the Seattle-Tacoma International Airport.

SECTION 120. Ordinance 10870, Section 249, and K.C.C. 21A.06.1045 are each hereby amended to read as follows: [SAO Section 52]

**Seismic hazard area((s)).** Seismic hazard area((s)): ~~((those))~~an area((s)) in King County subject to severe risk of earthquake damage as a result of soil liquefaction in an area((s)) underlain by cohesionless soils of low density and usually in association with a shallow ground water table or of other seismically induced settlement. (Ord. 10870 § 249, 1993).

SECTION 121. Ordinance 10870, Section 253, and K.C.C. 21A.06.1065 are each hereby amended to read as follows:

**Sensitive areas.** Sensitive areas: ~~((any of those areas in King County which are subject to natural hazards or those land features which support unique, fragile or valuable natural resources including fishes, wildlife and other organisms and their habitat and such resources which carry, hold or purify water in their natural state. Sensitive areas include coal mine hazard areas, erosion hazard areas, flood hazard areas, landslide hazard areas, seismic hazard areas,~~

~~steep-slope hazard areas, streams, volcanic hazard areas and wetlands.))~~ critical areas (Ord.  
10870 § 253, 1993).

NEW SECTION. SECTION 122. There is hereby added to K.C.C. chapter 21A.06 a  
new section to read as follows: [SALT Section 54]

**Shoreline.** Shoreline: those lands defined as shorelines in the state Shorelines  
Management Act of 1971.

NEW SECTION. SECTION 123. There is hereby added to K.C.C. chapter 21A.06 a  
new section to read as follows:

**Shoreline, consolidated.** Shoreline, consolidated: intertidal and subtidal zones of  
beaches, with outcroppings of rocks more than ten inches in diameter, that may also include the  
backshore and adjacent components of the terrestrial landscape that are important to shoreline-  
associated fish and wildlife and that contribute to shoreline functions.

NEW SECTION. SECTION 124. There is hereby added to K.C.C. chapter 21A.06 a  
new section to read as follows:

**Shoreline, marine or estuarine.** Shoreline, marine or estuarine: intertidal and subtidal  
zones of beaches and potentially the backshore and adjacent components of the terrestrial  
landscape, such as, cliffs, snags, mature tress, dunes, meadows, banks or bluffs that are important  
to shoreline-associated fish and wildlife and that contribute to shoreline function, such as, sand,  
rock or log recruitment, nutrient contribution or erosion control.

NEW SECTION. SECTION 125. There is hereby added to K.C.C. chapter 21A.06 a  
new section to read as follows:

**Shoreline, unconsolidated.** Shoreline, unconsolidated: intertidal and subtidal zones of  
beaches, with outcroppings of rocks less than ten inches in diameter, gravel, shell, sand or mud,

that may also include the backshore and adjacent components of the terrestrial landscape that are important to shoreline-associated fish and wildlife and that contribute to shoreline functions.

NEW SECTION. SECTION 126. There is hereby added to K.C.C. chapter 21A.06 a new section to read as follows:

**Side channel.** Side channel: a channel that is secondary to and carries water to or from the main channel of a stream or the main body of a lake or estuary, including a back-watered channel or area and oxbow channel that is still connected to a stream by one or more aboveground channel connections or by inundation at the base flood.

SECTION 127. Ordinance 11555 §, Section 1, and K.C.C. 21A.06.1172 are each hereby amended to read as follows:

**Site area.** ~~((A-))~~ Site area: ~~((shall be to))~~ the total horizontal area of a project site, less the following:

~~((1-))~~ A. Areas below the ordinary high water mark; and

~~((2-))~~ B. Areas ~~((which))~~ that are required to be dedicated on the perimeter of a project site for public rights-of-way. (Ord. 11555 § 1, 1994).

NEW SECTION. SECTION 128. There is hereby added to K.C.C. chapter 21A.06 a new section to read as follows: [SALT Section 56]

**Slope.** Slope: an inclined ground surface, the inclination of which is expressed as a ratio of vertical distance to horizontal distance.

NEW SECTION. SECTION 129. There is hereby added to K.C.C. chapter 21A.06 a new section to read as follows:

**Snag.** Snag: a dead or dying tree that exhibits sufficient decay characteristics to enable cavity excavation or use by wildlife.

NEW SECTION. SECTION 130. There is hereby added to K.C.C. chapter 21A.06 a new section to read as follows:

**Species of local importance.** Species of local importance: any of the following species:

A. Geoduck clam and Pacific oyster;

B. Dungeness crab and Pandalid shrimp;

C. Red urchin;

D. White sturgeon, Pacific herring, channel catfish, longfin smelt, Pacific cod, Pacific whiting, black rockfish, copper rockfish, quillback rockfish, yelloweye rockfish, lingcod, Pacific sand lance, English sole and rock sole;

E. Trumpeter swan, tundra swan, snow goose, band-tailed pigeon, Brant, harlequin duck, blue grouse, mountain quail and western bluebird; and

F. Marten, mink, Columbian black-tailed deer, elk and mountain goat.

SECTION 131. Ordinance 10870, Section 286, and K.C.C. 21A.06.1230 are each hereby amended to read as follows: [SAO Section 54]

**Steep slope hazard area((s)).** Steep slope hazard area((s)): ~~((those))~~ an area((s)) in King County on a slope((s)) ~~((40%))~~ of forty percent or ~~((steeper))~~ more within a vertical elevation change of at least ten feet. A slope is delineated by establishing its toe and top and is measured by averaging the inclination over at least ten feet of vertical relief. For the purpose of this definition:

A. The toe of a slope is a distinct topographic break in slope ~~((which))~~ that separates slopes inclined at less than ~~((40%))~~ forty percent from slopes ~~((40%))~~ of forty percent or ~~((steeper))~~ more. Where no distinct break exists, the toe of a steep slope is the lower most limit

of the area where the ground surface drops ten feet or more vertically within a horizontal distance of ~~((25))~~ twenty-five feet; and

B. The top of a slope is a distinct~~((;))~~ topographic break in slope ~~((which))~~ that separates slopes inclined at less than ~~((40%))~~ forty percent from slopes ~~((40%))~~ forty percent or steeper. Where no distinct break exists, the top of a steep slope is the upper~~((-))~~most limit of the area where the ground surface drops ten feet or more vertically within a horizontal distance of ~~((25))~~ twenty-five feet. (Ord. 10870 § 286, 1993).

SECTION 132. Ordinance 10870, Section 288, and K.C.C. 21A.06.1240 are each hereby amended to read as follows: [SAO Section 55]

**Stream~~((s))~~.** Stream~~((s))~~: ~~((those))~~ an aquatic area~~((s in King County))~~ where surface water~~((s))~~ produces a ~~((defined))~~ channel ~~((or bed))~~, not including ~~((irrigation ditches, canals, storm or surface water run-off devices or other entirely))~~ a wholly artificial ~~((watercourses, unless they are))~~ channel, unless it is:

1. ~~((u))~~Used by salmonids; or

2. ~~((are u))~~Used to convey a stream~~((s))~~ that occurred naturally ~~((occurring))~~ prior to construction ~~((in such watercourses))~~of the artificial channel. ~~((For the purpose of this definition, a defined channel or bed is an area which demonstrates clear evidence of the passage of water and includes, but is not limited to, bedrock channels, gravel beds, sand and silt beds and defined channel swales. The channel or bed need not contain water year round. For the purpose of defining the following categories of streams, normal rainfall is rainfall that is at or near the mean of the accumulated annual rainfall record, based upon the water year for King County as recorded at the Seattle-Tacoma International Airport:~~

~~A. Class 1 streams, only including streams inventoried as "Shorelines of the State" under King County's Shoreline Master Program, K.C.C. Title 25, pursuant to RCW 90.58;~~

~~B. Class 2 streams, only including streams smaller than class 1 streams which flow year-round during years of normal rainfall or those which are used by salmonids; and~~

~~C. Class 3 streams, only including streams which are intermittent or ephemeral during years of normal rainfall and which are not used by salmonids.)) (Ord. 10870 § 288, 1993).~~

NEW SECTION. SECTION 133. There is hereby added to K.C.C. chapter 21A.06 a new section to read as follows: [SAO Section 56]

**Stream scientist.** Stream scientist: a person who has earned at least a bachelor's degree in the fisheries sciences, stream ecology or related aquatic sciences from an accredited college or university and:

A. Who has a minimum of five years of relevant field work experience as a stream scientist; or

B. Who has educational training and professional experience equivalent to five years of relevant field work experience as a stream scientist.

NEW SECTION. SECTION 134. There is hereby added to K.C.C. chapter 21A.06 a new section to read as follows: [SALT Section 58]

**Structural fill.** Structural fill: any fill placed and graded to meet a minimum compaction requirement including a defined embankment such as a road or berm.

SECTION 135. Ordinance 10870, Section 293, and K.C.C. 21A.06.1265 are each hereby amended to read as follows: [SALT Section 59]

**Submerged land.** Submerged land: any land at or below the ordinary high water mark of a stream, lake, pond or tidal water. (Ord. 10870 § 293, 1993).



1002           SECTION 136. Ordinance 10870, Section 294, and K.C.C. 21A.06.1270 are each hereby  
1003 amended to read as follows:

1004           **Substantial improvement.** Substantial improvement:

1005           A.1. ~~((a))~~Any maintenance, repair, structural modification, addition or other improvement  
1006 of a structure, the cost of which equals or exceeds ~~((50))~~ fifty percent of the market value of the  
1007 structure either:

1008           a. before the ~~((maintenance,))~~ improvement or repair~~((, modification or addition))~~ is  
1009 started; or ~~((before the damage occurred,))~~

1010           b. if the structure has been damaged and is being restored, before the damage occurred.

1011           2. For purposes of this definition, the cost of any improvement is considered to begin when  
1012 the first alteration of any wall, ceiling, floor or other structural part of the building begins, whether  
1013 or not that alteration affects the external dimensions of the structure.

1014           B. “Substantial improvement” does not include either:

1015           1. Any project for improvement of a structure to correct existing violations of state or  
1016 local health, sanitary or safety code specifications that have been identified by the local code  
1017 enforcement official and that are the minimum necessary to ensure safe living conditions; or

1018           2. Any alteration of a structure listed on the national Register of Historic Places or a state  
1019 or local inventory of historic resources. (Ord. 10870 § 294, 1993).

1020           NEW SECTION. SECTION 137. There is hereby added to K.C.C. chapter 21A.06 a  
1021 new section to read as follows: [SALT Section 61]

1022           **Surface water conveyance.** Surface water conveyance: a drainage facility designed to  
1023 collect, contain and provide for the flow of surface water from the highest point on a  
1024 development site to receiving water or another discharge point, connecting any required flow

1025 control and water quality treatment facilities along the way. The elements of a surface water  
1026 conveyance system include, but are not limited to, gutters, ditches, pipes, biofiltration swales and  
1027 channels.

1028 NEW SECTION. SECTION 138. There is hereby added to K.C.C. chapter 21A.06 a  
1029 new section to read as follows: [SALT Section 62]

1030 **Surface water discharge.** Surface water discharge: the flow of surface water into  
1031 receiving water or another discharge point.

1032 NEW SECTION. SECTION 139. There is hereby added to K.C.C. chapter 21A.06 a  
1033 new section to read as follows:

1034 **Talus slope.** Talus slope: a sloped area formed by or armored with rock fragments that  
1035 are relatively homogeneous in size and have an average dimension between one-half and six and  
1036 one-half feet. A talus slope typically occurs at the base of a steep rock slope or cliff.

1037 NEW SECTION. SECTION 140. There is hereby added to K.C.C. chapter 21A.06 a  
1038 new section to read as follows: [SALT Section 63]

1039 **Terrace.** Terrace: a relatively level step excavated or constructed on the face of a  
1040 graded slope surface for drainage and maintenance purposes.

1041 NEW SECTION. SECTION 141. There is hereby added to K.C.C. chapter 21A.06 a  
1042 new section to read as follows: [SALT Section 64]

1043 **Tideland.** Tideland: that portion of the land that is covered and uncovered by the ebb  
1044 and flood tide.

1045 NEW SECTION. SECTION 142. There is hereby added to K.C.C. chapter 21A.06 a  
1046 new section to read as follows: [SALT Section 65]

1047           **Tree.** Tree: a large woody perennial plant usually with a single main stem or trunk and  
1048 generally over twelve feet tall at maturity.

1049           NEW SECTION. SECTION 143. There is hereby added to K.C.C. 21A.06 a new  
1050 section to read as follows: [SALT section 42]

1051           **Tree, hazard.** Tree, hazard: any tree, determined by a person with five years'  
1052 experience in the assessment of such hazards or the equivalent educational training and  
1053 professional experience, to have a structural defect, combination of defects or disease resulting in  
1054 structural defect that, under the normal range of environmental conditions at the site, will result  
1055 in the loss of a major structural component of that tree in a manor that will:

1056           A. Damage a residential structure, place of employment or public assembly, or approved  
1057 parking spaces for such structures;

1058           B. Damage an approved road or utility facility; or

1059           C. Prevent emergency access in the case of medical hardship.

1060           NEW SECTION. SECTION 144. There is hereby added to K.C.C. chapter 21A.06 a  
1061 new section to read as follows: [SALT Section 66]

1062           **Tributary drainage area.** Tributary drainage area: the geographical area that drains to  
1063 the development proposal site as identified in an off-site analysis done in accordance with the  
1064 King County Surface Water Design Manual.

1065           NEW SECTION. SECTION 145. There is hereby added to K.C.C. chapter 21A.06 a  
1066 new section to read as follows: [SALT Section 67]

1067           **Understory.** Understory: the vegetation layer of a forest that includes shrubs, herbs,  
1068 grasses and grass-like plants, but excludes native trees.

NEW SECTION. SECTION 146. There is hereby added to K.C.C. chapter 21A.06 a new section to read as follows: [SAO Section 63]

**Utility corridor.** Utility corridor: a narrow strip of land containing underground or above-ground utilities and the area necessary to maintain those utilities. A utility corridor is contained within and is a portion of any utility right-of-way or dedicated easement.

SECTION 147. Ordinance 10870, Section 310, and K.C.C. 21A.06.1350 are each hereby amended to read as follows: [SAO Section 64]

**Utility facility.** Utility facility: a facility for the distribution or transmission of services to an area((;)), including, but not limited to:

- A. Telephone exchanges;
- B. Water pumping or treatment stations;
- C. Electrical substations;
- D. Water storage reservoirs or tanks;
- E. Municipal groundwater well-fields;
- F. Regional ((~~stormwater management~~)) flow control facilities((;));
- G. Natural gas pipelines, gate stations and limiting stations;
- H. Propane, compressed natural gas and liquefied natural gas storage tanks serving multiple lots or uses from which fuel is distributed directly to individual users;
- I. Sewer lift stations; and
- J. Pipes, electrical wires and associated structural supports. (Ord. 10870 § 310, 1993).

SECTION 148. Ordinance 12018, Section 1, and K.C.C. 21A.06.1352 are each hereby amended to read as follows: [SAO Section 65]

1091           **Vactor waste.** Vactor waste: ~~((means))~~ liquid or solid waste material collected from catch  
1092 basins(~~(, retention/detention facilities))~~ or other constructed drainage (~~((pipes))~~)facilities. (Ord.  
1093 12018 § 1, 1995).

1094           NEW SECTION. SECTION 149. There is hereby added to K.C.C. chapter 21A.06 a  
1095 new section to read as follows:

1096           **Vegetation cover types.** Vegetation cover types:

1097           A. Forest:

1098                 1. Old-growth;

1099                 2. Mature;

1100                 3. Coniferous; and

1101                 4. Deciduous;

1102           B. Scrub-shrub;

1103           C. Pasture; and

1104           D. Grassland or meadow.

1105           SECTION 150. Ordinance 10870, Section 314, and K.C.C. 21A.06.1370 are each hereby  
1106 amended to read as follows: [SAO Section 66]

1107           **Volcanic hazard area((s)).** Volcanic hazard area((s)): ~~((those))~~an area((s)) in King  
1108 County subject to inundation by mudflows, lahars or related flooding resulting from volcanic  
1109 activity on Mount Rainier, delineated based on recurrence of an event equal in magnitude to the  
1110 prehistoric Electron ~~((M))~~mudflow. (Ord. 10870 § 314, 1993).

1111           SECTION 151. Ordinance 10870, Section 318, and K.C.C. 21A.06.1390 are each hereby  
1112 amended to read as follows: [Repealed by SAO Section 68] [amended]

1113           **Wet meadow((s)), grazed.** Wet meadow((s)), grazed: ~~((palustrine))~~ an emergent  
 1114 wetland~~((s typically having up to six inches of standing water during the wet season and~~  
 1115 ~~dominated under normal conditions by meadow emergents such as reed canary))~~ that has grasses,  
 1116 ~~((spike rushes, bulrushes,))~~ sedges, ((and)) rushes ~~((During the growing season, the soil is often~~  
 1117 ~~saturated but not covered with water. These meadows have been frequently used for livestock~~  
 1118 ~~activities))~~ or other herbaceous vegetation as its predominant vegetation and has been  
 1119 continuously used for grazing livestock since at least November 27, 1990. For the purpose of  
 1120 this subsection, "continuous use" includes routine pasture rotation normally associated with  
 1121 livestock grazing. (Ord. 10870 § 318, 1993).

1122           NEW SECTION. SECTION 152. There is hereby added to K.C.C. chapter 21A.06 a  
 1123 new section to read as follows:

1124           **Wetland, associated.** Wetland, associated: a wetland either wholly or partially  
 1125 contained within:

1126           A. Two hundred feet of the ordinary high water mark of any aquatic area or other  
 1127 wetland; or

1128           B. The channel migration zone.

1129           NEW SECTION. SECTION 153. There is hereby added to K.C.C. chapter 21A.06 a  
 1130 new section to read as follows:

1131           **Wetland complex.** Wetland complex: two or more wetlands, regardless of their size or  
 1132 classification, that are in sufficient proximity that their structure, functions or processes are  
 1133 interdependent and the biological value of the complex exceeds the individual biological value of  
 1134 any one of the wetlands. A wetland is part of a complex if it is within five hundred feet of

another wetland and at least one of the wetlands in the complex exhibits the following characteristics;

A. The presence of any animal species that migrates between wetlands including but not limited to:

1. Amphibians including western toad, red-legged frog, northwestern salamander and rough-skinned newt;

2. Reptiles including western pond and painted turtles;

3. Birds including Marsh wren, Pileated Woodpecker, Violet green and Tree swallows, Vaux's swift, Purple martin;

4. Mammals including marsh and water shrews, ermine, muskrat, beaver, river otter;

B. The presence of wetland complex-dependent plant species including but not limited to:

1. Lodgepole pine; or

2. Western white pine.

SECTION 154. Ordinance 10870, Section 319, as amended, and K.C.C. 21A.06.1395 are each hereby amended to read as follows: [SAO Section 69]

**Wetland edge.** Wetland edge: the line delineating the outer edge of a wetland, consistent with the ~~((1987 US Army Corps of Engineers Wetlands Delineation Manual in use on January 1, 1995 by the United States Army Corps of Engineers and the United States Environmental Protection Agency as implemented through, and consistent with the May 23, 1994 "Washington Regional Guidance on the 1987 Wetland Delineation Manual" document issued by the Corps of Engineers and the Environmental Protection Agency. When the State of Washington, Department of Ecology, adopts a manual as required pursuant to a new section 11~~

of ~~Engrossed Senate Bill 5776, wetlands regulated under development regulations shall be~~  
~~delineated pursuant to said manual~~) Washington State Wetlands Identification and Delineation  
Manual, 1997, published by the Department of Ecology. (Ord. 11977 § 1, 1995: Ord. 10870 §  
319, 1993).

SECTION 155. Ordinance 10870, Section 320, and K.C.C. 21A.06.1400 are each hereby  
amended to read as follows: [SAO Section 71] [amended]

**Wetland, forested.** Wetland, forested: a wetland that is dominated by mature woody  
vegetation or a wetland vegetation class ((which)) that is characterized by woody vegetation at  
least ~~((20))~~twenty feet tall. (Ord. 10870 § 320, 1993).

SECTION 156. Ordinance 10870, Section 322, as amended, and K.C.C. 21A.06.1410  
are each hereby amended to read as follows: [SAO Section 72] [amended]

**Wetland, isolated.** Wetland, isolated: a wetland ~~((which has a total size less than 2500~~  
~~square feet excluding buffers or, if within the Urban Area is less than 5000 square feet excluding~~  
~~buffers, which)) that is not~~ hydrologically ~~((isolated from other wetlands or streams))~~connected  
to other wetlands or aquatic areas by surface water flows or subsurface water flows to a depth of  
eighteen inches ~~((does not have permanent open water, and is determined to be of low function))~~.  
(Ord. 11621 § 33, 1994: 10870 § 322, 1993).

NEW SECTION. SECTION 157. There is hereby added to K.C.C. chapter 21A.06 a  
new section to read as follows: [SAO Section 73]

**Wetland scientist.** Wetland scientist: a person who has earned at least a bachelor of  
science degree in the biological sciences from an accredited college or university and:

A. Who has a minimum of five year's consecutive field work experience as a wetland  
scientist; or



B. Who is certified as a professional wetland scientist by the Society of Wetland Scientists.

SECTION 158. Ordinance 10870, Section 323, as amended, and K.C.C. 21A.06.1415 are each hereby amended to read as follows: [SAO Section 75] [amended]

**Wetland((s)).** Wetland((s)): ~~((those))~~an area((s)) in King County ~~((which are))~~that is inundated or saturated by ground or surface water at a frequency and duration sufficient to support, and under normal circumstances does support, a prevalence of vegetation typically adapted for life in saturated soil conditions. ~~((Wetlands generally include swamps, marshes, bogs and similar areas, or other artificial features intentionally created to mitigate conversions of wetlands pursuant to wetlands mitigation banking. Wetlands do not include artificial features created from non-wetland areas including, but not limited to irrigation and drainage ditches, grass-lined swales, canals, detention facilities, wastewater treatment facilities, farm ponds and landscape amenities, or those wetlands created after July 1, 1990, that were unintentionally created as a result of the construction of a road, street, or highway. Where the vegetation has been removed or substantially altered, a wetland shall be determined by the presence or evidence of hydric or organic soil, as well as by other documentation, such as aerial photographs, of the previous existence of wetland vegetation. When the areas of any wetlands are hydrologically connected to each other, they shall be added together to determine which of the following categories of wetlands apply:~~

~~A. Class 1 wetlands, only including wetlands assigned the Unique/Outstanding #1 rating in the 1983 King County Wetlands Inventory or which meet any of the following criteria:~~

~~1. are wetlands which have present species listed by the federal or state government as endangered or threatened or outstanding actual habitat for those species;~~

- 1204 ~~2. Are wetlands which have 40% to 60% permanent open water in dispersed patches~~  
1205 ~~with two or more classes of vegetation;~~
- 1206 ~~3. Are wetlands equal to or greater than ten acres in size and have three or more classes~~  
1207 ~~of vegetation, one of which is submerged vegetation in permanent open water; or~~
- 1208 ~~4. Are wetlands which have present plant associations of infrequent occurrence;~~
- 1209 ~~B. Class 2 wetlands, only including wetlands assigned the Significant #2 rating in the~~  
1210 ~~1983 King County Wetlands Inventory or which meet any of the following criteria:~~
- 1211 ~~1. Are wetlands greater than one acre in size;~~
- 1212 ~~2. Are wetlands equal to or less than one acre in size and have three or more classes of~~  
1213 ~~vegetation;~~
- 1214 ~~3. Are wetlands which:~~
- 1215 ~~a. are located within an area designated "urban" in the King County Comprehensive~~  
1216 ~~Plan;~~
- 1217 ~~b. are equal to or less than one acre but larger than 2,500 square feet; and~~
- 1218 ~~c. have three or more classes of vegetation;~~
- 1219 ~~4. Are forested wetlands equal to or less than one acre but larger than 2500 square feet;~~  
1220 ~~or~~
- 1221 ~~5. Are wetlands which have present heron rookeries or raptor nesting trees; and~~
- 1222 ~~C. Class 3 wetlands, only including wetlands assigned the Lesser Concern #3 rating in~~  
1223 ~~the 1983 King County Wetlands Inventory or which meet any of the following criteria:~~
- 1224 ~~1. Are wetlands equal to or less than one acre in size and have two or fewer classes of~~  
1225 ~~vegetation; or~~
- 1226 ~~2. Are wetlands which:~~

1227       —~~a. are located within an area designated "urban" in the King County Comprehensive~~  
1228 ~~Plan;~~

1229       ~~b. are equal to or less than one acre but larger than 2,500 square feet; and~~

1230       —~~c. have two or fewer classes of vegetation.~~)) For purposes of this definition:

1231       A. Where the vegetation has been removed or substantially altered, the presence of a  
1232 wetland shall be determined by the process or evidence of hydric soil, by other documentation  
1233 such as aerial photographs of the previous existence of wetland vegetation or by any other  
1234 manner authorized in the Washington State Wetlands Identification and Delineation Manual,  
1235 1997, published by the the Department of Ecology:

1236       B. A wetland may occur along the shoreline of tidal water, a lake, a stream or in a  
1237 depression in the landscape. For any wetland occurring along a shoreline, the wetland's  
1238 waterward boundary shall be where the water's depth is more than six and six-tenths feet below  
1239 low water or, if low water cannot be determined, six and six-tenths feet below the outlet's invert  
1240 elevation; and

1241       C. Except for artificial features intentionally made for the purpose of mitigation, a  
1242 wetland does not include an artificial feature made from a non-wetland area, which may include,  
1243 but is not limited to:

1244       1. A surface water conveyance for drainage or irrigation;

1245       2. A grass-lined swale;

1246       3. A canal;

1247       4. A flow control facility;

1248       5. A wastewater treatment facility;

1249       6. A farm pond;

- 1250       7. A wetpond;  
1251       8. Landscape amenities; or  
1252       9. A wetland made after July 1, 1990, that was unintentionally made as a result of  
1253 construction of a road, street or highway.

1254           (Ord. 12122 § 1, 1996: Ord. 11621 § 34, 1994: 10870 § 323, 1993).

1255       NEW SECTION. SECTION 159. There is hereby added to K.C.C. chapter 21A.06 a  
1256 new section to read as follows: [SAO Section 76] [amended]

1257       **Wetland vegetation class.** Wetland vegetation class: a wetland community classified  
1258 by its vegetation including aquatic bed, emergent, forested and shrub-scrub. To constitute a  
1259 separate wetland vegetation class, the vegetation must be at least partially rooted within the  
1260 wetland and must occupy the uppermost stratum of a contiguous area or comprise at least thirty  
1261 percent areal coverage of the entire wetland.

1262       NEW SECTION. SECTION 160. There is hereby added to K.C.C. chapter 21A.06 a  
1263 new section to read as follows: [SALT Section 70]

1264       **Wildlife.** Wildlife: birds, fish and animals, that are not domesticated and are considered  
1265 to be wild.

1266       NEW SECTION. SECTION 161. There is hereby added to K.C.C. chapter 21A.06 a  
1267 new section to read as follows:

1268       **Wildlife habitat network.** Wildlife habitat network: connected areas linking wildlife  
1269 habitat with critical areas, critical area buffers, priority habitats, trails, parks, open space and  
1270 other areas to provide for wildlife movement and alleviate habitat fragmentation. The official  
1271 wildlife habitat network is defined and mapped in the King County Comprehensive Plan. The  
1272 wildlife habitat network includes additional links to the official network that have been

1273 designated and protected as fish and wildlife habitat conservation areas by the department. The  
1274 purpose of such links is to further connect priority habitats and potential priority habitats across  
1275 the landscape to minimize fragmentation.